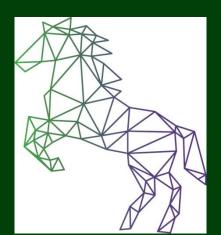


Welcome to
Horsforth School 2024



"Opportunity and Achievement for all"

Key Questions

- ☐ Who will support your child and what support is available?
- ☐ What are our expectations of your child and how can you support with this?
 - How will you know what progress they are making, what they are learning and how to help them with this?



Miss McFadden
Assistant Headteacher; Inclusion
Y7 Leadership LINK and SEND lead



Mrs Nowell
Deputy Headteacher; Pastoral
Safeguarding and Behaviour

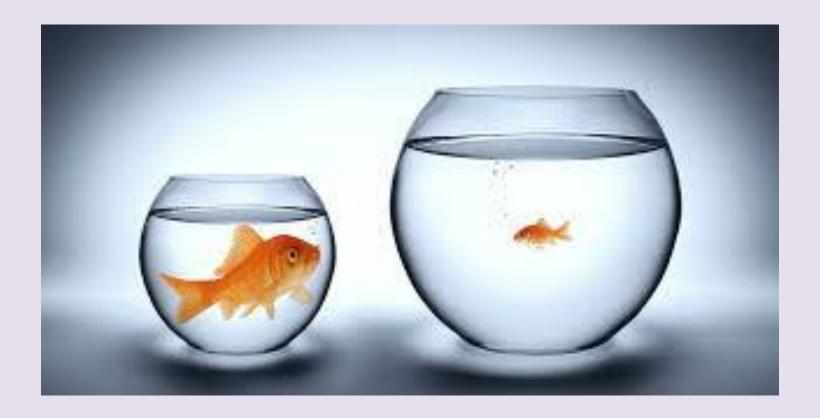


Mr JacquesYear 7 Year coordinator



Mrs Wright
Curriculum

Transition



Herd Farm



Pastoral Care and Support

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Who will support your child?

Everyone

Miss McFadden Y7 Leadership Link

Pastoral and Behaviour officer-

Year co-Ordinator
Mr Jacques

Team of 10 experienced Year 7 form tutors

Curriculum Leaders and subject teachers

Attendance Team

On call team

Subject Teachers and SEND team

You can support us by...

Helping them get into good routines

Checking planners daily/weekly (sign) and class charts

Encouraging good attendance and punctuality

Reinforcing our expectations-supporting us

Encouraging a positive attitude to learning and behaviour

Monitoring their attendance, behaviour, progress and organisation

Home/school contact

Class charts Email

Text

Phone calls

Letter

Home/school contact

Form tutor is first point of contact -contact via website

Class teacher for subject/class queries info@horsforthschool.org

Year coordinator for general progress queries across subjects pastoralhub@horsforthschool.org

Pastoral Behaviour officer for wider pastoral/behavioural/attendance concerns pastoralhub@horsforthschool.org

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Year 7 Form tutor contact

YEAR SEVEN YEAR EIGHT YEAR NINE YEAR TEN YEAR ELEVEN SIXTH FORM Meet the Team - Key Year 7 Contacts If you have any queries about your son or daughter, please email their Form Tutor in the first instance by clicking on the relevant name below, making sure the Subject title indicates who the email is for. 7B 7C 7F 7G 7L 7M 70 Mrs Noble Miss Gallagher Mrs Newton Mr Questa Mr Halton Mr Hood Miss Kav 7R 7T 7Y Dr Whiteman Mr Lowther Ms Qu

Meet the Form Tutor at the Settling In Evening in October for general updates

Mental Health support



- Activities in school
- Mental health awareness through PSHCE
- Mental health first aiders
- Mental health ambassadors
- Awareness days and events
- External agency support-just ask



Day to day routines and procedures



A typical day at Horsforth School

Time	Activity
8-8.20	Arrive in school-Y7 area DINER
8.25-8.50	Tutor time and registration
8.50-9.50	Lesson I
9.50-10.50	Lesson 2
10.50-11.10	Break time
11.10-12.10	Lesson 3
12.10-12.50	Lunch
12.50-1.50	Lesson 4
1.50-2.50	Lesson 5
2.50	Home time

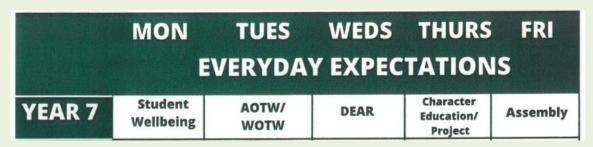
3:00-4:00 extra curricular clubs. ELC/Library to come



Form time and form groups

- Support/Mentoring
 - Routines
 - Organisation
 - Planner check
- Attendance check
 - Points check
 - Reading
 - Projects
 - Assembly







What Makes A Successful Student at Horsforth?



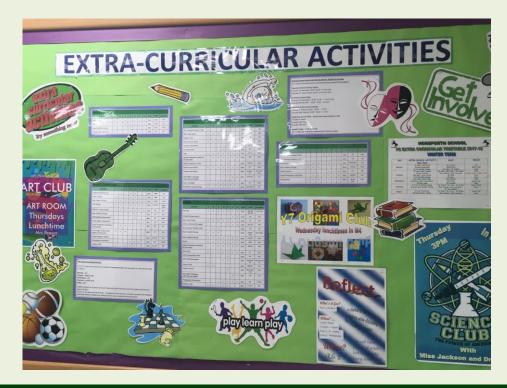
Extra curricular clubs











Class Equipment





Pencil case containing:

- Pencil sharpener
- Rubber
- Glue stick
- Compass
- Protractor
- 3 pencils
- 3 blue or black biros /pens
- Ruler
- Colouring pencils/felts
- A scientific calculator

Please contact Mr Jacques if you have any difficulty getting this equipment together and we will be happy to help

Lockers



Deposit for 5 years of £15, £5 for a lock or you can provide your own

Email information when available

Encourage use for PE kits and coats

Various locations around the school

The Student Planner



Importance of the planner

- ☐ Daily home / school communication
- ☐ Key for organisation and student reflection- preparation for adulthood-developing essential skills
- ☐ Used by subject staff/ form tutors for messages to each other and with home: early identification of problems homework / equipment
- ☐ Safeguarding measure in hand whilst out of lesson

Student Planner

- ☐ Must be brought in every day
- ☐ Cannot be in lessons or main building without it
- ☐ School systems fall down without it

A one strike rule



- ☐ We recognise students can be forgetful so we allow for students to forget their planner once in an academic year without consequence.
- ☐ Students are given a first strike planner sheet if they forget/don't have their planner. They should go to the hub if they realise they don't have it
- ☐ For all other times that students forget/don't have their planner in that academic year, if any, they will complete work in our inclusion unit.
- ☐ If you have a specific question linked to SEND regarding this, please see one of the SEND team in the 2nd part of the evening

Toilets and Water

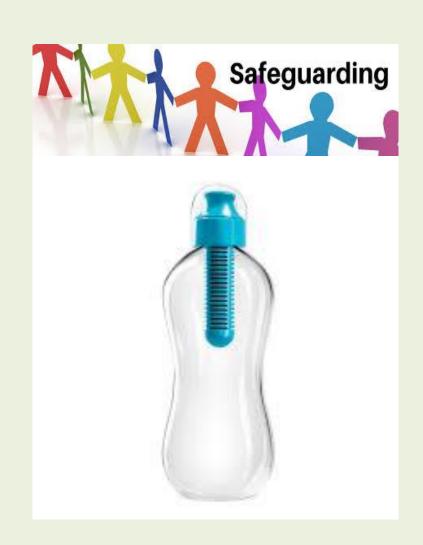






Toilets and Water

- Bring a water bottle
- Fill up at appropriate times-before school, at social times, not in lesson time
- Can drink in lessonsshould leave in bag and ask to avoid distraction
- Only water
- Not in certain roomssafety



Break and lunchtime

- Hot meal option
- Snacks and sandwiches
- INDOOR and
- OUTDOOR space where available
- Blue diner and netball courts-Y7 only areas
- Theme weeks and days
- Healthy schools







Cashless Catering

Horsforth School is a cashless school
Students use facial recognition or a swipe card to
pay for lunches and snacks
Top up online
Vending machines use cash





Cashless catering

We use the on-line facility called 'i-Pay'

You use this account to top up your child's account and to pay for school trips

Facial recognition pictures will be taken on New Intake

Day/September

Accounts will be set up over the Summer

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Positive Behaviour System



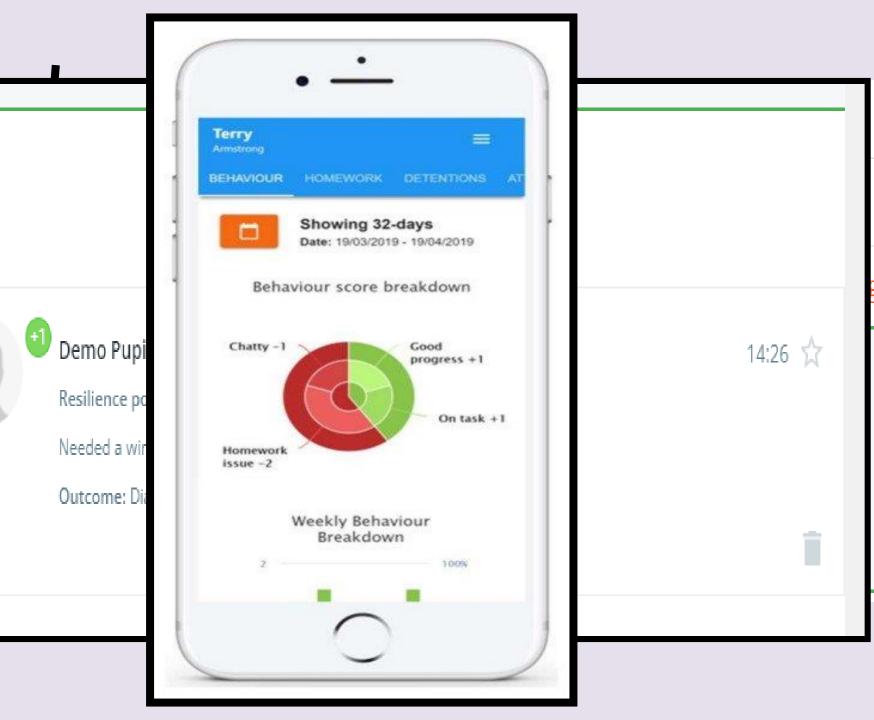


Rewards and Recognition 'Getting things right'

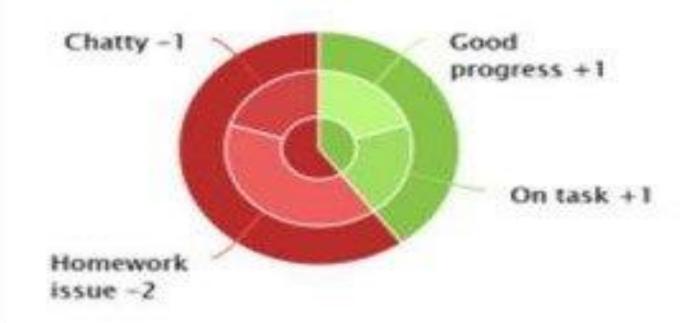
Rewards: Positive Points

Points for evidence of character and hard work Only issue rewards points via on class charts





Instant – within 30 minutes, updates in real time



Weekly Behaviour Breakdown

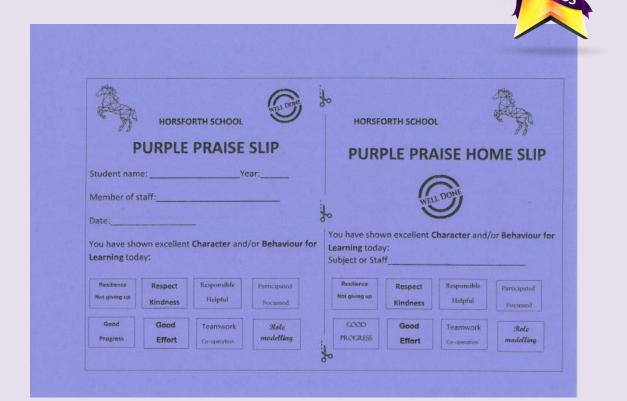
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Rewards and Recognition



'Instant' Reward

Purple Praise Slip





Positive Behaviour System





Consequences / Sanctions 'Fair and supportive'

CLASSROOM CODES

Arrive on time for lessons

Wear correct uniform

Bring your planner and all equipment

Do as you are told by staff, first time

Do not disturb teaching and learning

Act safely, be respectful and polite

Complete your classwork as instructed

Complete homework, meet deadlines

Keep your phone switched off, in your bag

Hand your planner in on the first request

Bring a positive attitude to learning

CORRIDOR CODES

Remove outer wear at the entrance

Wear correct uniform

Phone switched off and invisible

Follow the one way system

Walk - do not run

Act safely, be respectful and polite

Stay in social areas at break and lunch

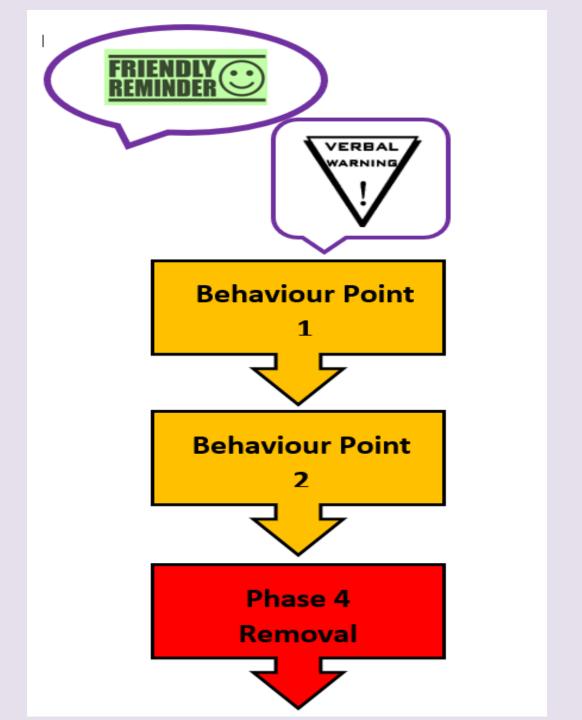
Follow staff instructions

Eat and drink in social areas only

Respect the diners, courtyards and hall

Put litter in bins





2 Steps before consequences:

Supportive Measure (meet needs)

PB begins on a **Positive command**

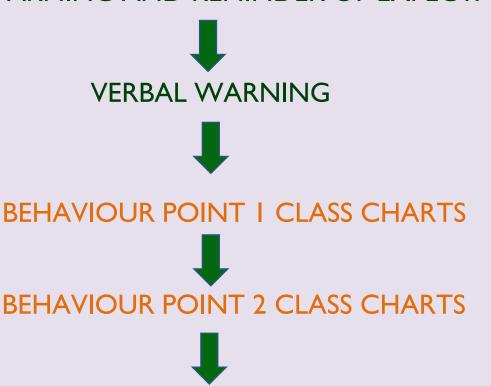
Designed to allow additional take up time

Develop relationships

Recognises GEN Z- focus issues

In Class Behaviour System

FRIENDLY WARNING AND REMINDER OF EXPECTATIONS



PHASE 4 REMOVED FROM CLASS = DETENTION



Low Level Classroom



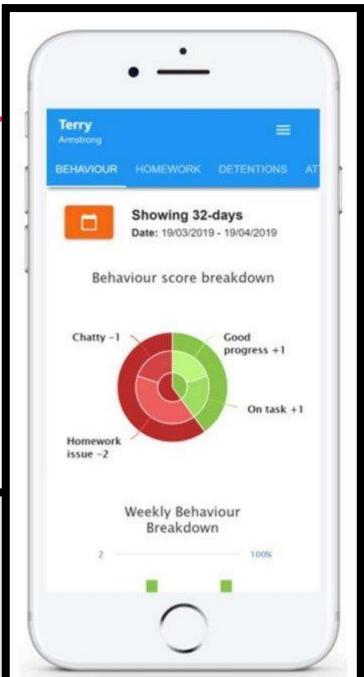
Around School

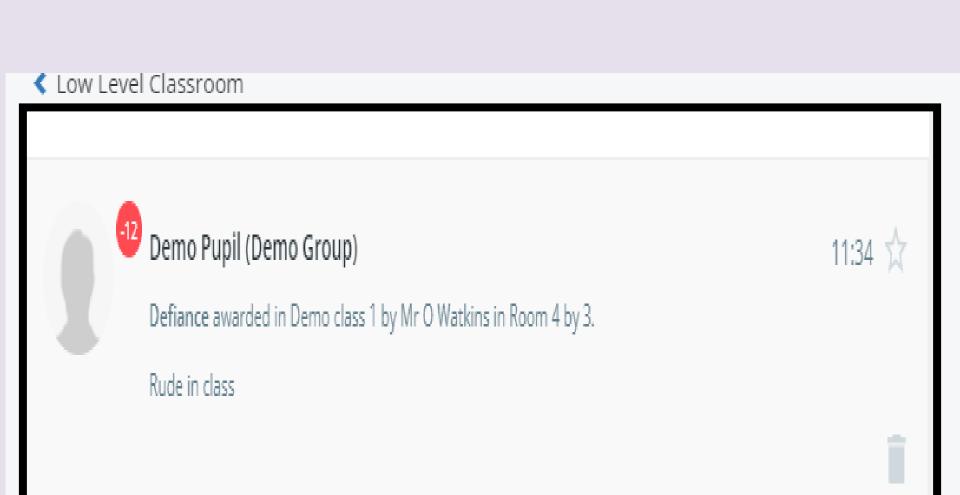


Tutor Only



Higher Level (requiring further action)





Behaviour System

- □Support Teaching and Learning; ensuring teachers can teach and students can learn
- □Keep students safe and ensure an orderly environment for all
- □Fair, stepped, clear
- ☐ Encourage independence, responsibility and accountability

Behaviour System

- □Parent/carer support. Work with us and not against us.
- ■We do not change our systems for parents/carers. The policy and procedures are ratified by our Trustees
- □Student safety, character and progress is good as a result of these expectations and the systems we have in place to maintain those
- ☐ Behaviour policy, sanctions and procedures are non-negotiable.
- □DfE: right to sanction, in and out of school time, and beyond our gates (after school).

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A School against Bullying



A School against Bullying

- Investigated swiftly
- Transparent 4 step process policy on website
- Serious sanctions
- Parents informed
- Mediation/ Restorative practices
- Monitoring contracts removal
- Prevention curriculum diversity ambassadors assemblies





Technology/Mobile phones



- Invisible policy
- Safety to and from school
- Switched off and in bags on school site
- not in coat or trouser pockets
- Safety
- Social media
- Equality
- Responsibility
- Switched on or in use=sanction and confiscation
- Emergencies via reception
- No apple watches that can connect to phone

Ist confiscation: 90 min Friday Headteacher Detention
Student can collect phone from HUB

2nd confiscation: <u>one</u> day inclusion Parent must collect phone from Leadership team

3rd confiscation: <u>two</u> days inclusion Parent must collect phone from Leadership team

4th Confiscation: <u>three</u> days inclusion
Parent meeting to discuss your phone ban at
Horsforth School

Technology/Mobile phones awareness



I couldn't save my child from being killed by an online predator

Breck Bednar, a 14-year-old boy who loved gaming, was groomed online and murdered in 2014. His mother, Lorin LaFave, was worried — would her pleas for help from police have been taken more seriously if he'd been a girl?



|Teenage girl found dead 20 minutes after being reported | missing 'had gone to meet man she met online'

Online Safety at Horsforth













- Teachers: Clear aims with use of ICT. Will frequently monitor student screens and usage
- Teachers: Remind students of online safety when using ICT
- Teachers trained to spot signs of online abuse and report it fast
- Police, CEOP

- Invisible phone policy
- Frequent parent communication to raise awareness of online safety
- Safety week in school, drop down sessions, bespoke form time sessions
- Delivered by the ICT curriculum and in PSHCE

Year 7 Curriculum



What will your child be learning?

In Year 7, students study a wide range of subjects, over a 50 lesson, 2 week timetable.



English Baccalaureate (Ebacc)											
English (7)		Maths (7)			Science (6)		History (2) Geography (2)		Span	French (6) OR Spanish (6) OR Chinese (6)	
Core Offer											
Art (2)	Computing (2)		Design (3)		Drama (2)	PSHCE (1)		Music (2)	PE (4)	RS (2)	

- All students cover all Key Stage 3 content as a minimum.
- Our curriculum also contains additional and advanced content for some of our students.
- We ensure all students are challenged and supported to achieve their potential.

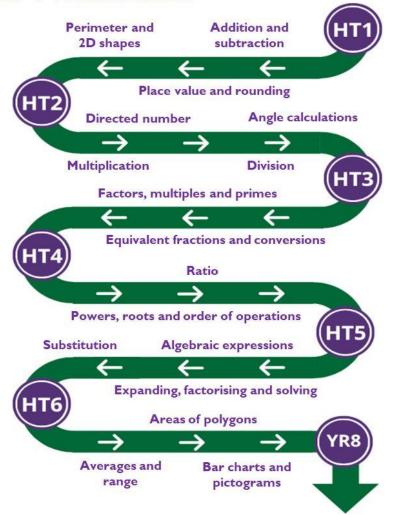
What will your child be learning?

- All subjects are taught in mixed ability groups
- For maths, students are set by ability within bands of 5 or 6 groups through to YII.
- Personal, Social, Health and Careers and Economic education
 (PSHCE) is taught for one hour per fortnight and is delivered in
 form groups by the form tutor.
- Some students have specially selected staff for English and maths. For Geography, History and Religious Studies with the same teacher as part of our **Transition programme**. They may also be taught together for Maths and/or English.
- Transition students will study a language for 3 hours only and use the additional 3 hours for English support (SS) where the focus will be on reading, This is for students below ARE at Key stage 2

What will your child be learning?

LEARNING JOURNEY

Year 7 Mathematics





Learning Journeys for every subject can be found on the school website so you can see what is being taught each half term in every subject in Year 7

(Year 7 / What you Learn)

Modern Foreign Languages (MFL)

In Year 7 students study a language for 6 hours a fortnight.



This will be one of the following:

- French half the year group
- Spanish half the year group
- Mandarin (MEP) expressions of interest required

Some parents have given a preference for French or Spanish and these will be considered. A link to a Google Form will be emailed tomorrow to all parents for any expressions of preference to be completed by next Wednesday

All other students will be allocated French or Spanish when they arrive in September.

Students below ARE in English will do 3 hours of a language and 3 hours of SS



Mandarin Excellence Programme (MEP)

Students wanting to study this pathways have already expressed an interest – expressions of serious consideration need to be made by next Wednesday via the MEP Google form link emailed to parents tomorrow

(Taster event has taken place)

Final decisions will be made in the coming weeks about the cohort for next year and shared with parents and students before the summer.

Students who study Mandarin will do so from Y7 to 11 and take a GCSE in it at the end of the 5 year course.



Year 7 Progress, Assessment & Reporting





We have a progression curriculum to ensure students learn the knowledge that will set them up for the next stage of learning.

Assessment is vital in this process and takes place throughout the year at key points.

Students in Year 7, 8 and 9 are assessed against the knowledge and skills we have identified need to be secure at the end of each unit and each year. These are our 'end points' and students are identified as 'developing', 'meeting' or, where students are excelling and going beyond our high expectations, 'exceeding' them.





We communicate regularly with parents about the individual progress of our students.



In Year 7 you can expect the following:

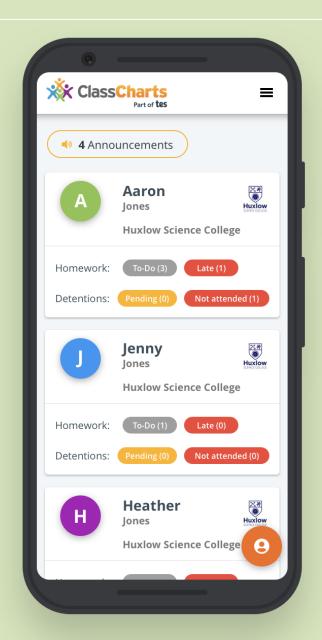
- Settling in evening (Half term I) form tutor
- Parents' evening (face to face)
- Regular Progress Review Reports (email and paper copy) including:
 - Attitude to learning scores
 - Progress data (on track or not?)
 - Attendance data
 - Behaviour data







- Attendance
- Homework
- Achievement points
- Behaviour points



Horsforth School and Sixth Form

Attitude to Learning in Lessons

Score	Student Attitude Descriptors
6	What a student with an EXEMPLARY attitude looks like
	 You are a highly self-motivated and independent learner, always trying to be the best you can
	 You show exceptional engagement with your learning and respond effectively to feedback
	You always produce high quality work you can be proud of, including all homework tasks You show a high level of respect to staff and students all of the time.
	You show a high level of respect to staff and students all of the time You already regularly go above and beyond staff expectations – keep it up!
-	What a student with a MOTIVATED attitude looks like
5	You are an enthusiastic learner who is keen to succeed and usually seeks help when needed
	You engage well with your leaning and respond positively to feedback and support
	You try to produce high quality work you are proud of, including homework tasks
	 You show respect to staff and other students in all learning environments
	Even greater self-motivation and independence would help you demonstrate a more ambitious ATL
4	What a student with a COASTING attitude looks like
-	 You do what is asked of you in lessons but may sometimes lack drive and ambition
	 You complete the work set in line with your ability but sometimes it can lack pride or detail
	 You complete most homework tasks but may not actively seek help if you are struggling
	You show respect to staff and other students in learning environments
	Increased enthusiasm and self-motivation would help you demonstrate a more ambitious ATL
3	What a student with an UNIVIOTIVATED attitude looks like
	 You may show inconsistency in your approach to lessons and can lack focus in this subject
	You may be too easily satisfied with your progress and be reluctant to act upon feedback You may need reminding of some key expectations including taking pride in your work and
	completing homework and only meet staff expectations some of the time
	You can be inconsistent in showing respect to staff and students at times
	Taking a more active role in your own learning would help you demonstrate a more ambitious ATL
2	What a student with a DISENGAGED attitude looks like
~	 You may often show a lack of desire to engage in your own learning in lessons in this subject
	You may attempt tasks in class but give limited responses to feedback and leave work incomplete.
	 You may sometimes need reminders about basic expectations around engagement, behaviour or
	completion of homework.
	 You can show a lack of respect through words or actions to staff and other students. Addressing concerns raised by your teachers would help you demonstrate a more ambitious ATL.
-	What a student with an UNSATISFACTORY attitude looks like
1	You may regularly be off task and not bring your personal best to lessons in this subject
	You may regularly be off task and not bring your personal best to sessors in this subject You may rarely meet staff expectations in the work you complete in lessons
	You may need regular reminders about basic expectations around engagement, behaviour or
	completion of homework.
	 You show a concerning lack of respect to staff and students in lessons
	Addressing all concerns raised by your teachers would help you demonstrate a more ambitious ATL
	A NON-ATTENDER
	A blank space indicates that you do not attend school (or this particular subject) regularly enough
	for an ATL score to be given





three times per year.
Each subject will give an individual ATL score and an ATL average will be calculated and used for rewards / recognition purposes



Why set homework?

- Provides an opportunity to OVER LEARN
- Allows students to consolidate information learned in the lesson
- An opportunity to improve retention and recall
- Allows you to have an insight into what your child is doing at school and be partners in learning
- Teaches students discipline and time management
- Improves skills needed in KS5 and FE
- Allows students to work independently
- According to the EEF, improves progress by 5+ months



What does the research say?

- We have a curriculum built to support students knowing and remembering more and our Home Learning needs to mirror this.
- The process of using a read, cover, write, check strategy is a well-tested, evidence-informed approach to support students committing information to their long-term memories.
- This helps develop self-regulation and metacognition, a strategy which can add up to 7 months additional progress according to the EEF.
- This retrieval practice and repetition will ensure that students **know and remember more**, making them feel more successful both in their Home Learning and across the curriculum in their other lessons.



KS3 Homework 2024-25

Students will all receive two booklets; a **knowledge organiser** booklet and a **task** booklet.

- The **knowledge organiser**s have been carefully designed by our Curriculum Leaders and are specifically mapped against our curriculum
- The **task booklets** contain the different homework tasks that students will complete during the half term. Teachers will specify which tasks they should complete each time homework is set
- > Support-SEND homework club, ELC, Library open at various social times and after school-confirmed in Sept

Attendance







Attendance expectations

The moment a student falls below 96% attendance they become a 'cause for concern'. You will be contacted by school.

3 Letters – phone call - school meeting

Fast track initiative - contract - penalty notice- court

Holidays during term time are <u>not allowed.</u> This is in line with Government and Local Authority Partnership agreements.



Punctuality

O8:00 School opens for students

08:15 On school Site

08:20 Students to Form Time

Each Half term:

2 occasions to be late with no consequence All other times: Same Day Detention for 30 minutes



Plain socks – black or white. No patterned or bright coloured socks.

Black tights.

<u>Sensible flat black shoes</u> (entirely black, no ankle boots, no stiletto heels, no shoes without backs, no pumps, no boots)

Black or white head scarf / hair accessories

No excessive jewellery – no bracelets or necklaces. Girls can wear I ring and I pair of small stud earrings. No facial piercings

Can wear a watch but not a smart watch that connects to phone-fit bit is fine

No nail varnish, No gel / acrylic nails. No extreme hair colours

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Boys:

Plain socks – black or white. No patterned or bright coloured socks.

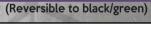
Sensible flat black shoes (plain black, no trainers, no pumps, no boots, wellies) must look like shoes





No extreme hair colours or hairstyles...no skin heads, no lower than grade 2, maw- hawks, tramlines etc

Please note students will <u>NOT</u> be permitted to wear items of kit that is not branded with the Horsforth School logo due to breaches of safeguarding and unsuitability of kit. If you have any questions please contact Mr Fraser – Curriculum Leader of PE





Boys and Girls PE kit					
Upper body	School logo white T-shirt (A) Black/ green plain rugby/hockey jersey top (C) School logo black fleece (B)				
Lower body	School logo Black shorts (D) School logo Black tracksuit bottoms (F)				
Feet	Green socks (E)				
Feet	Sport trainers and football/ rugby boots for field				
Extras	Gum shield is recommended for rugby/hockey. Shin pads are essential for hockey/football				

HORSFORTH SCHOOL

Two uniform suppliers:



Whittakers – Farsley P.C. Sports - Yeadon



Upper diner following the presentation this evening.

Details in your booklet.

SEND support

If your child was on the SEND/Inclusion register at primary school they will be on our register too.

- SEND profile
- Learning passports
- Observations
- Quality First Teaching



Email FAO SEND team on info@horsforthschool.org or directly to sendadmin@horsforthschool.org for specific SEND related concerns

Please contact your child's Form tutor, Year coordinator or PBO first if you have concerns in the first instance

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Transition process

What's next....?

New Intake/Taster day

Friday 12 July

ALL DAY	Students should arrive between 8 and 8.15 In their Primary School uniform. They will sample some lessons and meet their form group and form tutor. We will also do school photos for facial recognition
Summer school July	Summer school run by HCS in conjunction with Horsforth School staff.
4 September	Students should arrive at 8.20am ready for 8.25am start in the hall.
School opens to Year 7: 8am	They should have their full uniform on, be equipped with schoolbag, water bottle and pencil case as well as a topped up account for lunch They will have time with us for some key reminders before the rest
	of the school come in
Activity day- Oct	Herd Farm trip to get to know peers and staff-details to follow in

Second part of tonight

- Uniform suppliers- Whittakers and PC Sports
- Mrs Vicki Madeley: Horsforth Children's services
- Miss Abigail Henderson Deputy SENDco and Mrs Warne SENDco- SEND queries
- Sample some food in our diner
- Questions in the upper diner-student ambassadors and key staff