

# Year 6 Transition - FAQs

Topic	Question	Answer
Uniform	<p><b>Do the trousers have to be purchased from School Shop or can they be bought elsewhere?</b></p>	<p>Trousers and blazers must be purchased from School Shop (<a href="https://www.school-shop.co.uk">https://www.school-shop.co.uk</a>) and have the school logo on them. Trousers can not be purchased from anywhere else and are checked by form tutors each morning.</p>
	<p><b>What uniform will my child need and where can I purchase it from?</b></p>	<p>The blazer, trousers/skirt, tie and optional jumper must be purchased from School Shop. Please see below: -</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ School blazer that must be worn at all times and purchased from 'School Shop' <a href="https://www.school-shop.co.uk/">https://www.school-shop.co.uk/</a>. Class teachers will give permission for students to remove their blazers when appropriate, such as in hot weather or during practical lessons.</li> <li>➤ Optional coordinated jumper in the year colour. If a jumper is worn a blazer must be worn as well.</li> <li>➤ A plain white school shirt (long-sleeved or short-sleeved) that can be buttoned to the collar (shirt should be buttoned at the top).</li> <li>➤ Boys' black trousers from uniform supplier (<a href="http://www.school-shop.co.uk">www.school-shop.co.uk</a>).</li> <li>➤ Girls' black trousers from uniform supplier (<a href="http://www.school-shop.co.uk">www.school-shop.co.uk</a>).</li> <li>➤ Pleated school skirt from uniform supplier (<a href="http://www.school-shop.co.uk">www.school-shop.co.uk</a>) that extends to the knee.</li> <li>➤ If a skirt is to be worn, then plain black tights (minimum of 60 denier) must be worn under the skirt; the skirt should still extend to the knee.</li> <li>➤ Whilst in school, sensible plain black school shoes. No trainers, boots, plimsolls, sandals or heels may be worn. There should not be any sizable logos, any colour or any extravagant adornments on the shoes such as large bows and sequins for example, small, black bows and small black tassels are acceptable. In very poor weather conditions (heavy snow or heavy rain), students may come to school in boots. However, when in school and on school grounds school shoes must be worn.</li> <li>➤ One pair of simple studded earrings, one per ear, may be worn. Earrings must be in the lobes of the ear and not be large enough to extend beyond the lobes. No other piercings are acceptable.</li> <li>➤ A sturdy bag to carry equipment and books to and from school. School bags that are permitted are rucksacks, shoulder bags and satchels. PE kit may be brought into school in a separate kit bag.</li> </ul> <p><b>The following are not allowed in school, as part of the uniform: -</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Any blazers, trousers or skirts not bought directly from Stokesley School's uniform supplier as outlined above.</li> <li>➤ Trousers or skirts that are modified, other than the bottom of trousers needing to be taken up.</li> <li>➤ Non-black belts or overly elaborate, decorative belts.</li> <li>➤ Make-up including nail varnish and false nails.</li> <li>➤ Tattoos including henna tattoos.</li> <li>➤ Natural coloured hair only.</li> <li>➤ Headwear including caps (unless specified by school).</li> <li>➤ Sunglasses.</li> </ul>

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	<p><b>How can I ensure that I order the correct size for uniform?</b></p>	<p>Sizing events will be taking place in School, on the 8th, 9th and 10th July where social distancing measures will be in place. Appointments can be booked directly on the School Shop website: <a href="http://www.school-shop.co.uk">www.school-shop.co.uk</a></p>						
	<p><b>What P.E. kit will my child need and where can I purchase it from?</b></p>	<p>P.E. kit can only be purchased from The Nursery in Stokesley. Due to Covid restrictions The Nursery are coming into school during the uniform sizing events on the 8th, 9th and 10th July to enable parents to buy school uniforms. Please see below: -</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="871 411 2092 1082"> <thead> <tr> <th colspan="2" data-bbox="871 411 2092 475">All P.E. Kit must be clearly named</th> </tr> <tr> <th data-bbox="871 475 1485 539">Boys P.E. Kit</th> <th data-bbox="1485 475 2092 539">Girls P.E. Kit</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td data-bbox="871 539 1485 1082"> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Plain royal blue shorts</li> <li>➤ Royal blue/ amber reversible rugby shirt (outdoor)</li> <li>➤ White, Stokesley School logo, t-shirt for (indoor)</li> <li>➤ Royal blue football socks (outdoor)</li> <li>➤ Plain white ankle socks (indoor)</li> <li>➤ Football boots (moulded studs can be worn on the astro turf)</li> <li>➤ Training shoes with non-marking soles</li> <li>➤ Shin pads (required for football and hockey)</li> <li>➤ Towel</li> <li>➤ Swimming trunks/ shorts – navy or black and not knee length</li> <li>➤ Navy/ black tracksuit bottoms optional with staff permission</li> <li>➤ Hair fastening, if required</li> </ul> </td> <td data-bbox="1485 539 2092 1082"> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Navy blue shorts with school logo</li> <li>➤ Plain navy, Stokesley School sweatshirt</li> <li>➤ White polo shirt</li> <li>➤ Sky-blue/ navy socks (long)</li> <li>➤ Plain white ankle socks (indoor)</li> <li>➤ Football boots (moulded studs can be worn on the astro turf)</li> <li>➤ Training shoes with non-marking soles</li> <li>➤ Shin pads (required for football and hockey)</li> <li>➤ Towel</li> <li>➤ One piece swimming costume</li> <li>➤ Navy/ black tracksuit bottoms optional with staff permission</li> <li>➤ Hair fastening, if required</li> </ul> </td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	All P.E. Kit must be clearly named		Boys P.E. Kit	Girls P.E. Kit	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Plain royal blue shorts</li> <li>➤ Royal blue/ amber reversible rugby shirt (outdoor)</li> <li>➤ White, Stokesley School logo, t-shirt for (indoor)</li> <li>➤ Royal blue football socks (outdoor)</li> <li>➤ Plain white ankle socks (indoor)</li> <li>➤ Football boots (moulded studs can be worn on the astro turf)</li> <li>➤ Training shoes with non-marking soles</li> <li>➤ Shin pads (required for football and hockey)</li> <li>➤ Towel</li> <li>➤ Swimming trunks/ shorts – navy or black and not knee length</li> <li>➤ Navy/ black tracksuit bottoms optional with staff permission</li> <li>➤ Hair fastening, if required</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Navy blue shorts with school logo</li> <li>➤ Plain navy, Stokesley School sweatshirt</li> <li>➤ White polo shirt</li> <li>➤ Sky-blue/ navy socks (long)</li> <li>➤ Plain white ankle socks (indoor)</li> <li>➤ Football boots (moulded studs can be worn on the astro turf)</li> <li>➤ Training shoes with non-marking soles</li> <li>➤ Shin pads (required for football and hockey)</li> <li>➤ Towel</li> <li>➤ One piece swimming costume</li> <li>➤ Navy/ black tracksuit bottoms optional with staff permission</li> <li>➤ Hair fastening, if required</li> </ul>
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	<p><b>I had looked at the School uniform site and I was wondering what colour tie my daughter would need to buy?</b></p>	<p>The colour for the new Year 7's will be purple. If required you can purchase a coordinated jumper, this is optional.</p>						
	<p><b>Do I have to wear a blazer at all times?</b></p>	<p>Yes, you will have to wear a blazer at all times around school. If you want to take it off in a classroom then you must ask permission from your teacher. When we experience hot weather, reasonable adjustments are made to the rule.</p>						
	<p><b>Can you wear shorts in the summer?</b></p>	<p>The uniform is the same all year round and shorts are not permitted at any time.</p>						

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Pastoral	<b>Will children be grouped with friends from their current primary school?</b>	Year 7 students will be randomly assigned to a tutor group so may not be with someone from their current primary school. We often find that existing friendships change significantly in the first year, and this will encourage all students to form new friendships. Students remain in their tutor groups for most lessons throughout Year 7. With the exception of Maths, Food and Textile Technology and P.E.
	<b>Do we find out tutor groups/classmates prior to starting?</b>	Previously students would find out their form groups on the transition days. We are looking into the possibility of students having some remote access with their tutors when form groups are finalised. All students are placed randomly in a tutor group and class.
	<b>What anti-bullying measures are in place should another student be bullied?</b>	We have a comprehensive anti-bullying policy which can be viewed on the school website under Key Information and our Anti-Bullying Ambassadors are working towards the Diana Award accreditation, there are 4 areas that the Ambassadors are working on: Wellbeing, Respect, Community and Online Safety. We have Yr 9 students as Anti-Bullying Ambassadors in school and there will be an opportunity for Yr 7 and 8 to apply to be an Ambassador next year.
Lunch	<b>How does lunch work and does everyone go in at once?</b>	There is a rota for lunch which changes each week. Each year group waits in line during their allotted time and go in together.
	<b>How do we set up an account for paying for lunch?</b>	Each student will receive a parent pay account using a parent's email address and an issued password. If you already have a parent pay account details will be provided on how to merge the accounts.
	<b>Do I have to have a school dinner?</b>	No, we have a number of students who bring packed lunches and eat in the Cybercafe or Dining hall at lunchtime. All students on packed lunch must also go through at the same time as their year group.
Logistical	<b>Will a map and timetable be given to the pupils?</b>	All students are given their timetable on the first day. Additionally, this is copied into their planners. Maps of the school are on display around the building.
	<b>What time does school finish?</b>	School finishes at 3:25pm
	<b>Will my child be able to cycle to school and is there somewhere to leave his bike?</b>	Yes, there is a place for students to leave their bikes at the side of one playground. They will need to ensure they bring their own bike lock and only ride it once they are off the school grounds and not through the playgrounds.
	<b>How do new pupils learn their way around?</b>	Students will have a map and as part of the first week in September they will be shown round by their form tutor. Student Leaders will be supporting students during the first week, escorting students between classes. They can ask any staff member of student if they get lost who will be happy to point them in the right direction.
	<b>How many classes are in one day? Do you start in the same class each morning with the same teacher?</b>	Each day starts with students attending form time for 30 mins then going on to have five classes that day which last an hour long each. There is a break in the morning and lunchtime.

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	<p><b>I would like to know when you anticipate we will hear whether the transition days will go ahead now that Y6 pupils are able to go back to school?</b></p>	<p>Transition days will unfortunately not be going ahead but there will be plenty of information and videos being uploaded to the transition part of the website and on Facebook. Provisionally, your first day in September will be like a transition day, but of course with Covid, this is subject to change.</p>																						
	<p><b>What is the routine for the day?</b></p>	<p>Students move around the school following their timetable. As students are in the same teaching classes as their tutor group for most subjects, they are often able to move around together. Please see below for the timings of the day (from September we have moved break to 10:20 rather than 11:20 so that the day is more evenly split): -</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="871 512 1480 1155"> <tr> <td>8:00am</td> <td>School Opens for Breakfast</td> </tr> <tr> <td>8:40am</td> <td>Doors open to students</td> </tr> <tr> <td>8:50am</td> <td>Tutor Time</td> </tr> <tr> <td>9:20am</td> <td>Period 1</td> </tr> <tr> <td>10:20am</td> <td>Break</td> </tr> <tr> <td>10:40am</td> <td>Period 2</td> </tr> <tr> <td>11:40am</td> <td>Period 3</td> </tr> <tr> <td>12:40pm</td> <td>Lunch</td> </tr> <tr> <td>1:25pm</td> <td>Period 4</td> </tr> <tr> <td>2:25pm</td> <td>Period 5</td> </tr> <tr> <td>3:25pm</td> <td>School Closes</td> </tr> </table>	8:00am	School Opens for Breakfast	8:40am	Doors open to students	8:50am	Tutor Time	9:20am	Period 1	10:20am	Break	10:40am	Period 2	11:40am	Period 3	12:40pm	Lunch	1:25pm	Period 4	2:25pm	Period 5	3:25pm	School Closes
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	<p><b>Will I get my own locker?</b></p>	<p>Lockers are in the process of being reorganised. Further details to follow.</p>																						
	<p><b>How do the buses work?</b></p>	<p>Buses are not contracted by the school. Students who live more than 3 miles from the School in the catchment area will receive a bus pass from North Yorkshire Council. The bus pass can only be used for the allocated bus; students can not get on other buses with friends. For local students in the catchment area living less than 3 miles from School, transport becomes the responsibility of the parent/carers. This is the same for students living out of the catchment area, although there are some commercial paid bus services available which you may want to look into, that service areas of Middlesbrough.</p>																						

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Extra-Curricular	<b>Are there any big trips (that are going to be costly) that I should be aware of so I can start setting aside some finances for them?</b>	There are some trips which require a small cost in year 7 but nothing that require large amounts of money. Overseas trips are open to students as they move through the school, so it would be prudent to start saving should you wish your child to take part in those enriching opportunities.
	<b>Will there be any Extra-Curricular activities offered to the children in year 7?</b>	On the Curriculum section of the school website you can look at the Extra-Curricular and Enrichment and Student Leadership sections to get a flavour of the activities and opportunities on offer.
Equipment	<b>How does the Chromebook scheme work?</b>	It is a lease scheme where you pay a set amount each month for three years and then at the end the device belongs to you. The payment covers the device, a three year warranty and three year accidental damage insurance with a zero excess. We are still negotiating the final price with the supplier. Details of the deal and how to sign up will be shared with parents in the next few weeks. The chromebooks will be distributed in the new academic year.
	<b>Do all students have to have a Chromebook?</b>	All students will require a device during the school day. Most of our students join the leasing scheme through us, some source their own or bring one in from home, and we do have a handful of students who do not have their own that borrow one at the start of each day from the Open Learning Centre.
	<b>We were planning to purchase a Chromebook ourselves for my daughter to use. Is there a specification for Chromebooks we should work to?</b>	No, any chromebook will do the job fine. Although try and get at least 4MB of RAM so it can cope with processing several jobs at once.
	<b>If we do buy our own Chromebook will the School need to install additional software or set them up to work with the School systems?</b>	All we will need to do is configure it to join our network in school. It is a quick job. No software is installed on the device, as they are all web based, we manage the Chromebooks purchased through us and install additional layers of security.
	<b>What equipment do we need to buy?</b>	Equipment is checked each morning by the form tutor. All students must have: - <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ A bag big enough and suitable to fit all equipment, books and planner into.</li> <li>➤ A chromebook charged to at least 50% (years 7-10). – Further information to follow.</li> <li>➤ A pencil case</li> <li>➤ Two working black pens, and a green pen</li> <li>➤ Two pencils, a pencil sharpener, and an eraser</li> <li>➤ A scientific calculator and ruler</li> </ul>