

DRIFFIELD SCHOOL & SIXTH FORM

CORNERSTONES

CARE - PERSEVERANCE RESPECT - RESPONSIBILITY

Personal Development at Driffield School

- To ensure students understand the benefits of looking after their mental and physical health
- To promote equality and diversity and respect difference
- To provide opportunities for students to access and remember for a lifetime
- To raise aspirations to achieve personal excellence



ONE TEAM

As we approach the end of our first term, we are aware that many parents may be thinking about purchasing new items of school uniform.

Please see the school dress code below and refer to this when purchasing any new items of uniform. Items of uniform may also be purchased from high street retailers, but care must be taken to ensure these items meet the requirements as set out above. If in doubt, please contact your child's Head of Year and we will be happy to help.

Our uniform reflects a pride and sense of belonging in the school and presents our students in the very best possible light to visitors and the wider community.

A high standard of personal appearance is expected of all students and anyone arriving at school in non-uniform clothing can expect to receive a sanction unless an explanatory note is received. Items of uniform are available for loan as necessary. We urge parents to take note on the expectations around piercings, false eye lashes and false nails. Please be aware that for health and safety reasons, students are not permitted facial piercings, including nose piercings. If earrings are worn, they must be removed for activities such as PE.



DRESS CODE

Black trousers	Formal, classic smart full length trousers. Casual trousers (e.g. jeans style/leggings/jogging or sports trousers) are not permitted. Trousers can be worn with thin black belt if necessary (no fashion belts/large buckles).			
Black skirts	Smart, knee length skirt. Skirts should not be made of stretchy fabric.			
White shirt	Standard white, long or short sleeved, loose fitting shirt with stiff pointed collar (not open necked) to take a tie; shirt must be long enough to be tucked in and wide enough at the neck to fasten the top button.			
Tie	House colours and to be worn at all times.			
	Bronte Purple	Holtby Blue	Johnson Red	Mortimer Green
Black blazers	Black blazers with school logo only,			
OR	OR			
Black jumper*	V neck black jumper with school logo only (no cardigans).			
Socks	Black socks in winter and white socks in summer. Trainer socks are not permitted. Socks must not be worn over tights.			
Tights	Plain (not patterned), black or flesh coloured. Leggings are not permitted.			
Footwear	Plain black leather or leather look shoes that can be polished, flat or low heels (no canvas, sandals, mules, sling-backs, knee length boots, Ugg boots or trainers). Plain black leather/leather look ankle boots are only permitted if worn with school trousers. Shoes with any form of decoration are not permitted.			
Jewellery	One pair of studs or small sleeper earrings is allowed. No other body piercing is allowed. One plain ring may be worn on either hand. One watch may be worn. One discreet necklace may be worn. One discreet bracelet on each arm, may be worn.			
Hair	No extreme colours or styles. Hair decorations are not permitted.			
Make-up	Make up should be subtle if worn, this includes no bright colours. False eyelashes are not permitted. Nail varnish, including false nails, should not be worn.			

^{*}Students can choose to wear either a jumper OR a blazer (there is no need to purchase both).

Please note, blazers and jumpers may be purchased from high street retailers with the logo embroidered as mentioned on page 2.

PE DRESS CODE

PE Kit	Green and black polo shirt with school logo*. Green and black ¾ zip jumper. Black shorts, leggings or tracksuit bottoms. White socks. Indoor clean non-marking trainers. Outdoor trainers for the Astroturf, studded boots for grass. Towel for showers.		
Swimming Kit	A one-piece swimsuit/costume or swimming trunks/shorts (above the knee) and towel. Goggles can be worn if required.		
Hair	Must be tied back for all activities if hair may cover face.		
Jewellery	No jewellery or piercings of any kind are permitted during physical activity including watches. Earrings must be removed and cannot be taped up.		

^{*}Plain Black t-shirts maybe be purchased from high street retailers provided the logo is embroidered on.

Shin pads and mouth guards are highly recommended for invasion games, such as hockey, football and rugby. If a student becomes involved in a competition regulated by a National Governing of Sport, then the wearing of shin pads and mouth guards will become mandatory.



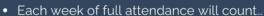
BE HERE - REMEMBER DECEMBER!

Just a reminder that every day really does count, including December. Students will be actively engaged in learning right up to and including Friday 20 December. To help students recognise the importance of attending every we have launched our Remember December campaign and are regularly reminding students of how important it is to attend school every day right up the end of term.

BE HERE BE YOURSELF BE YOUR BEST

December attendance rewards

- · Prize draw for great attendance in December
- 3 weeks left of term 100% attendance aim



- w/c 2 Dec = 1 ticket
- w/c 9 Dec = 2 tickets
- w/c 16 Dec = 3 tickets
- Chance for each student to get up to 6 tickets into the draw
- Prize draw for each year group



GOLDEN TICKET

ATTENDANCE: YOU'VE



In the first week of December, 947 received a ticket for the prize drawer after attending school every day. Students will receive a further two tickets for attending in the second week and three for attending in the third week.

A live prize draw will take place in the afternoon of the 20 December and the winning students will receive a prize to bring home for Christmas.

Good luck everyone, you need to be in to win!



BE SAFE - DIGITAL SAFETY

Thank you to all the parents who were able to attend the first Smoothwall Parental workshop on Digital Safety that took place on 20 November. The feedback has been amazing. If anyone would like the slides from the evening, please find the link below:

TEAL PARENT WORKSHOP - 20TH NOVEMBER 2024.PDF

The next workshop will take place on 29 January 2025 6pm-7pm. The link to register will be shared early in the new year.

This workshop will provide lots of practical advice and guidance, particularly to support your children with any new devices they may have got over Christmas.

THANK YOU AND GOOD LUCK

We would just like to say a huge thank you and good luck in the future to Mrs James, Head of Bronte House, who leaves us this Christmas. Mrs James has worked at the school for over 33 years as a PE teacher and Pastoral Leader. She has supported hundreds of young people, making a difference to so many student lives and has made a massive contribution to the school.

Thank you for everything you have done. We will miss you loads.

We will update everyone about the new Head of Bronte once the recruitment process is complete.





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With Christmas only a few weeks away, many of you will be using social media to share your excitement with friends and family. Being active on social media is a great way to show others how much fun you're having, but it's important that you know how to use these apps safely and securely so that bad things don't happen. By following our safety tips below, you can make sure that your personal information stays private, your postings are positive and that your social media use overall is responsible, healthy and most of all enjoyable.

DON'T ACCEPT FRIEND REQUESTS FROM STRANGERS



Make sure that you set your profile to private so that people you don't know can't find you online. Always tell a trusted adult if a stranger or somebody you don't know sends you a message or a friend request.

NEVER SHARE YOUR PERSONAL INFORMATION WITH PEOPLE YOU DON'T KNOW

Keep your personal information personal. Sometime people online aren't always who they say they are and might ask you to share things that you don't feel comfortable sharing.

DON'T SHARE EMBARRASSING PHOTOS OR VIDEOS OF OTHERS ONLINE

This could really upset them and could get you into a lot of trouble Always think twice before posting anything on social media and treat people online as you would in real-life.

NEVER SEND NAKED PICTURES OF YOURSELF TO OTHERS

This is illegal if you are under 18 and you could get into trouble with the Police. If you are being pressured by someone, always say no and tell a trusted adult. Even if you think it is innocent fun, the photo could be shared with other people and you won't be able to control who else sees it.

CREATE A POSITIVE ONLINE REPUTATION



LIMIT YOUR SCREEN TIME



Social media can be addictive, and it is easy to keep checking newsfeeds or your notifications every 5 minutes which can affect your behaviour and stop you from doing other things. Remember to only use your phone at certain times of the day, turn notifications off at bedtime and go out and have as fun as much as possible. This will keep you fit and healthy and make you appreciate there's more to life than just what's on social media.

BLOCK ONLINE BULLIES

Sometimes people might say nasty things to you online or post offensive comments on your pictures or videos. If this happens, always tell a trusted adult who will help you block them from your profile and support you in taking further action.

REPORT INAPPROPRIATE CONTENT

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If you see something on social media that you don't like, offends you or upsets you, you should always report it to a trusted adult. You should also report it to the social media app who will be able to remove the content if it is against their user policy and can block the person who posted it.

ONLY USE APPS WHICH YOU ARE OLD enough to use

Before downloading any new social media app, always check the age-rating. If you need help, ask your parent or carer to make sure that the app is safe for you to use and never download anything which you are too young for as it may contain content that isn't safe for you to see.

10 ALWAYS SECURE ALL YOUR SOCIAL MEDIA PROFILES WITH A PASSWORD

This will help to keep your private information safe and won't allow others to access your profiles without your permission. Make sure your passwords are memorable and personal to you but something which other people can't guess, and always share them with your parents just in case you forget them.

(11) ASK PARENTS TO SET-UP 'PARENTAL CONTROLS' FOR SOCIAL MEDIA



When you download a social media app, you should always ask a trusted adult to help you set it up for the first time. This will help you control who sees what you post, who can contact you and make sure you are able to enjoy using the app safely and securely.

12) ALWAYS TALK TO YOUR TRUSTED ADULT IF SOCIAL MEDIA IS MAKING YOU UNHAPPY

Sometimes, social media can make us feel bad about ourselves or sad that we aren't the same as someone else or doing the same things as someone else. Remember, if you ever feel this way, it's really important to talk to your trusted adult(s) like your parents, carers, other adult family members or a teacher, all of whom will be able to support you and discuss your feelings with you to help make you feel better.





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