

23 September 2026

Dear Parent or Carer,

RE: Year 7 Settling-in Evening

I hope the start of term has gone well for your child and they have had a positive transition to Driffield School. I would like to invite you to our Year 7 Settling-in Evening on Thursday 8 October 2026. This event is designed to give you the chance to discuss how your child has settled during their first few weeks and you will have the opportunity to book an appointment with your child's form tutor.

To book a five-minute appointment with your child's form tutor, between 4.30 pm and 7.00 pm, please access our booking system via the Arbor Parent App, or alternatively via the online Arbor Parent Portal. Please find attached instructions about how to book. The booking system is now open for bookings and will close at 9 am on the day of the event, Thursday 8 October. These appointments will take place in the Performing Arts Building.

Alongside your form tutor appointment, you will also be able to attend a range of short talks delivered by staff, including:

- An overview of our Personal Development provision
- An overview of our literacy programme and how to support your child with reading at home
- An overview of our numeracy programme and how to support your child with maths at home
- Guidance on online safety
- Guidance on supporting mental health from our MIND practitioner

There will be three talks available for each of the above throughout the evening, which can be arranged to fit around your form tutor appointment. The talks will run at the following times during the evening:

4:35	Personal Development (East Hall)	Online Safety (N4)	MIND (N5)
5:00	MIND (N5)	Numeracy (North Hall)	Online Safety (N4)
5:25	Literacy (LRC)	Personal Development (East Hall)	Numeracy (North Hall)
5:50	Online Safety (N4)	Literacy (LRC)	Personal Development (East Hall)
6:15	Numeracy (North Hall)	MIND (N5)	Literacy (LRC)

In addition, a variety of information stalls will be available in the Sixth Form common room, including:

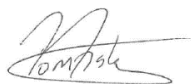
- An opportunity to meet your child's Head of Year and Head of House
- An opportunity to meet members of the Senior Leadership Team
- An opportunity to meet the SEND team
- Refreshments and an opportunity to meet other parents and carers
- Details of our extra-curricular provision
- Details of student leadership opportunities
- Information about our pastoral support, attendance and safeguarding provision
- Information about our careers provision
- Access to external services, including our Early Help provision

Please note that this evening is not intended to provide subject-specific progress updates. A dedicated Progress Evening will be held in March, where you will have the opportunity to meet your child's subject teachers. Further information about this event will be shared closer to the time.

If you have any immediate concerns regarding your child, please do not hesitate to contact Mrs Potter, Head of Year 7, or your child's Head of House. They can be reached via telephone or by email through the school office at office@driffieldschool.org.uk.

We look forward to welcoming you to what promises to be a positive and informative evening.

Yours faithfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'T Fisher', with a stylized flourish extending from the end.

Mr T Fisher
Assistant Headteacher