

Up & coming dates

Y11 on Study Leave 10/6/22 onwards

Turing Trip Briefing 16/6/22 4.30pm

The Great THS Get Together 24/6/22

ARCH Day 6 30/6/22

Y11 Leavers' Assembly 1/7/22

Y11 Prom 1/7/22

June 10th, 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

From next Monday students will be permitted to wear **tailored** shorts as part of their standard uniform. The shorts must be black and tailored; they cannot be cargo shorts, sports shorts or made from jersey, denim or leather look material. Shorts should be on the knee in length. We do not want student families to incur any additional expense to be part of this trial and so will run two after school sessions to adapt old school trousers into shorts on Friday 10th June and Friday 17th June in room 48. The rest of the school uniform would be worn as normal. An example below:

Acceptable



Unacceptable



On the subject of uniform and appearance, a few reminders as we head into the summer term:

- **Facial piercings are not permitted in school**, only one single set of plain ear studs should be worn. If students come into school wearing any other facial piercings they will be asked to remove them.
- Students should not wear excessive makeup to school, nail varnish, gel nails or false eyelashes. Please help us by ensuring your child does not come to school wearing any of these.
- Hoodies are not allowed in school.
- Uniform should be worn in line with the uniform guidance available on our school website : [Uniform and Equipment - Todmorden High School \(todhigh.co.uk\)](http://www.todhigh.co.uk). Please also see slides at rear of letter.



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PACE (Parents Against Child Exploitation) has been commissioned by the 'National County Lines Coordination Centre' to host a series of free parent webinars to raise awareness about county lines in West Yorkshire. The webinar series are running in partnership with Barnardo's and the West Yorkshire Police. Please see the promotional leaflet for the first webinar in the series, on the 9th June, at the rear of this letter. Second webinar is on Wednesday 22nd June and can be booked using the same link below. Booking link is here: [wyorksparentwebinar.eventbrite.com](https://www.eventbrite.com/e/wyorksparentwebinar).

Our Year 11 students went on study leave today and will now only be attending lessons for the subjects that they have not yet sat the exams for. We have been so impressed with the maturity, commitment and excellence of our Year 11 students during this period and we will be very much looking forward to welcoming them into school on Friday 1st July for their Leavers' Assembly. If you have any questions or concerns about your child during this busy exam period, please do get in touch with Mrs Stansfield (e.stansfield@todhigh.co.uk) or you could call in on me during my virtual drop in session (next scheduled 3-4pm 22/6/22). We are here to support and help.

Volunteering is an essential part of a DofE programme, and our students who are engaging in the DofE programme currently have been getting out there and giving back to their community, developing a passion for a particular cause, and learning new skills. The Volunteering section of the DofE programme changes lives and has a positive impact on individuals and communities. We're delighted to share with you this certificate celebrating our DofE group's volunteering and its impact. Students from **Todmorden High School** dedicated **143** hours to volunteering between April 2021 and March 2022, with a social value of **£660.66**. This is an incredible achievement, and we hope you're as proud of the students as we are. Huge thanks to Miss Mullarkey for all her hard work and commitment to ensuring that our students have all they need to engage with the programme and have exciting and positive experiences. Our next DofE expedition is out at the end of this month. If your child would like to get involved in studying the DofE programme, please encourage them to speak to Miss Mullarkey about what the programme entails and how they can apply.



Have a fantastic weekend, and as always, do let us know if we can support you in any way.

Yours Sincerely,

Gill Shirt
Headteacher

Would you like to understand more about county lines in the West Yorkshire?

Join our panel of experts for a live webinar



Lindsay Dalton
CEO, Pace



West Yorkshire
Police



Sarah Pritchard
Barnardos

Free webinar for parents & carers

9th June, 7.00 - 8.30pm

Do you know how to keep your child safe?

Do you know about county lines and child criminal exploitation?

Are you worried someone is taking advantage of your child, making them do something illegal?



Learn what county lines and child criminal exploitation is



Understand the signs that your child might be at risk or involved



Learn how offenders groom and exploit children



Understand what is happening in your area

Register [wyorksparentwebinar.eventbrite.com](https://www.wyorksparentwebinar.eventbrite.com)



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1. Place your equipment on your desk in the order shown here.

2. Complete the Champions of Maths activity in your Focus Time book.

3. Once you have completed it, read your reading book.

Ruler

Green pen Black pen

Spare green pen Spare black pen

Pencil Spare pencil OR sharpener

Refillable water bottle Knowledge organiser Reading book Dictionary Calculator

Particular things to note:



- **NO HOODIES** or **OTHER NON-UNIFORM JUMPERS**. They will be confiscated on sight.
- Skirts need to be knee length. Short/stretchy skirts will not be tolerated.
- Trousers are **FULL LENGTH** proper tailored trousers. No $\frac{3}{4}$ length or rolling up the bottoms.
- Socks under trousers should be plain black. Socks with skirts can be:
 - Black, grey or white
 - Knee or ankle length
 - Tights are always plain black opaque
- Jewellery stays at home. **ONE** pair of plain studs. A wristwatch. That's it. Facial piercings are **NOT ALLOWED**. If you wear extra jewellery you will be asked to remove it. If you have to be asked repeatedly the jewellery will be confiscated and contact will be made with home.
- Your **LANYARD** is part of your uniform/ daily equipment essentials. See your Learning Manager if you need a new one.

NOTHING on here is new. Our uniform policy HAS NOT CHANGED.

We are privileged that our students are an exceptional group of young people and we have very high expectations of the way in which they wear their uniform.

Mobile phones and smartwatches are not allowed to be seen or heard during lesson time, lesson changeover or at Eat 1 and 2 inside the school building. If a phone is seen or heard it will be confiscated.

Uniform

- A white tailored shirt, with a proper shirt collar, which can be tucked into your waistband and has a top button you can fasten.
- School Tie (Royal blue striped tie) worn so that it reaches the waistband.
- Black school blazer with the school logo on it.
- Black V-neck jumper (optional) to wear under your blazer.
- Plain tailored trousers, **full length**. No leggings, jeans, tracksuit bottoms or **jersey fabrics**.
- Plain tailored knee length pleated or A-line style skirt. Knee length means the skirt should be touching the crease of the back of the knee and the knee cap at the front. The skirt should not be tight fitting or made from stretchy fabrics. If wearing a skirt, socks or tights must be worn (not both together).
- Socks must be plain, not patterned, and either black, white or grey. They must also be either knee or ankle length.
- Tights must be plain, black and opaque.
- Plain black, leather or leather look (not canvas) flat shoes or ankle boots **with black laces**. No sandals, trainers, logos or branding. For example, any 'Kickers' tabs should be cut off.
- A black kameez can be worn in addition to the rest of the uniform, where required. A hijab can also be worn.
- Sturdy bag.
- Outdoor coat for cold/wet weather. No cardigans, body warmers or non-uniform jumpers including sweatshirts or hoodies.



Examples of correctly worn uniform