

Welcome to Taverham High School

Your Pocket Guide to starting High School



Taverham High School Uniform



What will I need for my first day?

- A refillable water bottle.
- A suitable bag for your books and other equipment.
- Basic stationary such as pen, pencil, ruler, eraser in a pencil case.
- Snack / lunch from home if you are not purchasing from the canteen.



If you are using the canteen, you will need to set up your cashless account on the WisePay App where your parents / carers can pay money in. Once your account has credit in it, you 'pay' for your food using your fingerprint. It is so easy!

PE Kit

- Sweatshirt - Navy with school logo.
- Polo shirt - Navy with royal blue panel and school logo.
- Shorts/Skort - Navy with royal blue panel and school logo.
- Tracksuit bottoms - Navy with school logo or plain navy.
- Socks royal blue.
- Leggings - Navy with school logo or plain navy thick material sports style type.
- Trainers - Ensure they offer suitable grip and support. Converse are not PE trainers.



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Please make sure your name is on every item of clothing.

What happens in a school day?

You will follow a two-week timetable, which means your timetable will alternate each week.

Movement time	8.25 - 8.30
Period 1	8.35 - 9.35
Period 2	9.35 - 10.35
<i>Break</i>	<i>10.35 - 10.55</i>
Period 3	10.55 - 11.55
Period 4	11.55 - 12.55
<i>Lunch</i>	<i>12.55 - 13.35</i>
Movement time	13.35 - 13.40
Assembly / Form Time	13.40 - 14.00
Period 5	14.00 - 15.00

On your first day you will meet your form tutor who will be able to answer your questions and explain how our rewards system works. You will have your fingerprint taken so that you can use the canteen and your photo will be taken too.

We will show you around the school during your orienteering session and you will receive your homework diary and timetable, keep these safe.

The ELFs, Y8 and Y9 helpers will be on hand to help you navigate your new school.



What subjects will I study?

In Years 7, 8 and 9 you will study: English, Maths, Science, History, Geography, a Modern Foreign Language, Music, PE, Drama, Art, Design Technology, Computing, Religious Studies and Classics.

In Years 10 & 11 you will study: English, Maths, Science, History or Geography and PE alongside your GCSE options. If you decide to stay on to Sixth Form (Years 12 & 13) you will choose from a range of subjects for your A-Levels.



Facilities

Our fantastic facilities include:

- Astro Pitches
- Grass Pitches
- Rugby Pitch
- Multi-use Games Area
- Sports Halls
- Gymnasium
- Drama Studio



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Don't worry about getting lost. Just ask an older student for directions.

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The Library & After School Clubs

Our Library

The Library has designated general fiction, teen fiction (including some adult titles), non-fiction, wellbeing, manga, graphic novel and Pride sections. The library area offers a supportive and relaxed environment whilst also hosting clubs and timetabled library lessons. Whilst focussed on reading for pleasure the library also operates numerous reading interventions.



What Extra-Curricular Activities can I take part in?

- Athletics
- Badminton
- Basketball
- Handball
- Couch to 5K
- Cricket
- Football
- Hockey
- Netball
- Rounders
- Tennis
- Trampolining
- 5K Runners
- Alotment Garden Club
- Art Club
- Career Cafe
- Chess Club
- Carnegie Book Club
- Code Club
- Community Ambassador Project
- Computing Catch-Up
- Cooking Club
- Creative Writing Club
- Debate Club
- Drama
- Duke of Edinburgh
- E-Sports
- F1 Club
- Glee Club
- Greenforcer Challenge
- MFL Film Club
- Musical Theatre Club
- Music Clubs
- Pride Group
- School Magazine
- SEN Club
- Slot Car Racing Club
- Textiles Club



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Try a new club - great way to make friends. Visit our well stocked Library.

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School Expectations & Help Available

What is expected of me?

At THS we aim to develop these values in our students:

Resilience - Endeavour to never give up

Compassion - Students are inclusive of everyone in their community

Confidence - Students believe in their own abilities

Ambition - Students have a desire to do well in the world

Integrity - Students are ethical members of our society

Success - Students strive to reach their potential



What if I need help?

Starting secondary school is exciting, but you might also have some worries.

We have a wonderful group of older students called **ELFs (Everybody's Listening Friend)** who will look after you and help answer your questions.

Our dedicated **Student Support Team** are on hand to provide you with emotional support and your **Head of Year** is there for you to turn to if you are upset, worried or have fallen out with your friends, for example.



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If something is worrying you tell one of the people above. Talking helps.

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