



# BBG ACADEMY TRANSITION GUIDE



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# WELCOME FROM THE PRINCIPAL

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I am so proud to welcome you - the parents and students of our 2025 Year 7 cohort - to BBG Academy, part of the Resilience Multi-Academy Trust. The start of any school year is filled with anticipation, eagerness, and no small amount of nerves. We recognise this and want to make your transition to BBG as smooth as possible.

BBG Academy is, put simply, #TeamBBG. We pride ourselves on being a fully inclusive secondary school; offering places to any student aged 11 to 16 years of age, from all backgrounds and experiences. We work hard to ensure that all students feel welcome, safe and included in our diverse community. In November 2021, BBG was recognised by Ofsted as being an Academy which was GOOD in all areas. It was described in that Ofsted inspection report 'that being a part of our school community is like 'being a part of a family''.

We encourage our students to work hard, make mistakes, learn from them, and keep trying. We believe that our 'growth mindset' is the reason that "All groups of students, regardless of their starting points, make good progress across a wide range of subjects, including English and Mathematics."

We are also a part of the RMAT and, as such, we are committed to providing the highest possible opportunities to all children in our community. Part of this commitment means that we expect the highest standards of behaviour, discipline and respect – not just for the colleagues in our Academy, but also towards themselves and each other. It is due to these pillars of expectation that we are able to deliver what we consider to be the most innovative, differentiated and state of the art curriculum available for all our students.

Our focus on collaboration with the wider scope of the RMAT means that we are able to continue to seek the best paths for our students, regardless of their starting points. Our Trust is at the forefront of school improvement, and is driven by a core purpose of high expectations on student learning, well-being, and achievement. We recognise that achievement comes in many forms, and work with each student individually to ensure that they are able to reap the highest success possible for themselves.

We are very much looking forward to working closely with all our new students and their families.



From Year 7, our students are taught to be resilient in a dynamic, innovative curriculum that responds to educational research and the needs of our young people. Students have opportunities to learn how to be resilient in the face of difficulties and failure - in chess, in British Sign Language, and in debate (amongst other things) at school - and in physical pursuits and independence found at our English and French Resilience camps. We teach them that with determination, improvement is not only likely - it is inevitable.

# DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

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The dates below are key events that will take place between now and when your child joins us in August. The events are displayed chronologically and the following pages give more information about each event.



**Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> June, 6pm**  
Transition Information Evening



**Monday 30<sup>th</sup> June and Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> July**  
Full cohort transition days- 8.20am -2.30pm



**Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> August**  
First day of the Autumn Term

# CALENDAR 2025-26

Please note that BBG returns to school after the summer holiday before most other local secondary schools and we also enjoy a two week break in October.

Our Summer Half Term Break is also different to other local schools, as it takes place after GCSE exams have finished.



Please note that these calendar dates may be subject to change

## Calendar 2025/26

| August 2025 |    |    |    |    |    |    |
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| September 2025 |    |    |    |    |    |    |
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| October 2025 |    |    |    |    |    |    |
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| November 2025 |    |    |    |    |    |    |
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| December 2025 |    |    |    |    |    |    |
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| January 2026 |    |    |    |    |    |    |
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| February 2026 |    |    |    |    |    |    |
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| March 2026 |    |    |    |    |    |    |
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| April 2026 |    |    |    |    |    |    |
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| May 2026 |    |    |    |    |    |    |
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| June 2026 |    |    |    |    |    |    |
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| July 2026 |    |    |    |    |    |    |
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PLEASE NOTE THAT GCSE EXAMS WILL TAKE PLACE, AS REQUIRED BY THE EXAM BOARDS, W/C 15 JUNE.



School holidays



Training day  
(school closed to students)



Bank holiday  
(School closed)



Polling Day

# TRANSITION DAYS AND START OF TERM ARRANGEMENTS

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All new Year 7 students will join us for two full days on Monday 30<sup>th</sup> June and Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> July. Students will spend the days with their full tutor group and enjoy a timetable of BBG lessons.

- Students should arrive in the academy before 8.20 and meet in the main school hall.
- After assembly, students will be taken to lessons by their teachers.
- Students wear their current primary school uniform.

## What to bring:

- A packed lunch, drinks bottle and maybe a snack for break time
- Wear trainers- all students will be taking part in sports activities.
- A pencil case with pens, pencils, rubber, ruler etc.

Please note, energy drinks and fizzy drinks are not allowed

## START OF TERM - WEDNESDAY 27 AUGUST 2025

- Arrive before 8.15 and meet in the school hall. You will be met by your form tutor there.
  - Wear your full BBG uniform and bring your PE kit in your bag.
  - Bring your full BBG equipment (see list on page 16)
  - If you would like a school lunch, please bring cash on the first day. Details of ParentPay log-ins will be issued at the beginning of term to enable you to top up the lunch card.
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# USEFUL CONTACT INFORMATION



## KEY STAFF



Miss Williams  
Principal



Miss Binns  
Assistant Principal



Miss Sanderson  
Head of Year 7



Mrs Bennett  
SENDCo



Mrs Rogerson  
SENDCo



Mrs Brack  
Deputy Principal



Miss Shannon  
Assistant Principal



Miss Harrington  
Deputy Principal

# HELP

You can go to any of these people at anytime for help, if you need it

# ATTENDANCE



## WORKING TOGETHER TO SUPPORT YOUR CHILD'S ATTENDANCE



We'd like to introduce ourselves, Natalie Durnall and Kath Brinn, the BBG Academy Attendance Team. We are dedicated to ensuring all students are in school every day, ready to enjoy their lessons and social times with friends.

While we understand that some absences are unavoidable, our goal is to achieve an impressive 98% attendance rate for every student.

Every day a student is absent means missing out on six valuable lessons of learning and two valuable social times with friends and classmates.

### WHAT WILL WE DO?

We'll keep you updated on our attendance policies and explain why coming to school consistently makes such a big difference for your child's academic progress.

We'll support all our students to be on time. It really helps them settle in, catch all the important lessons, and develop good habits for the future!

We love to celebrate excellent attendance! We'll be recognising and rewarding students who consistently turn up, ready to learn.

We're a partnership. If your child faces any challenges with attendance, please know we're here to help. We'll work closely with you, offering in-school support and keeping a close eye on attendance for any student who dips below 95%. Our goal is to remove any barriers and ensure your child can be here.

### WHAT WE ASK YOU TO DO TO SUPPORT SCHOOL ATTENDANCE...

Please try your best to schedule appointments outside of school hours whenever possible. Every lesson in school counts.

If your child is going to be absent, please give us a call on 01274 871225 (option 1) each day they're away. This helps us keep accurate records and ensures we know your child is safe.

If your child is unwell, we'd be grateful if you could arrange to see your GP and provide us with a doctor's note or other medical evidence. This helps us understand the reason for their absence and record it correctly.

The Resilience Multi Academy Trust shares the government's determination to increase student attendance at school. We want to give all our students the best start in life, and we know that education and support from school can help to do this. As part of our efforts to support families, we have structured our term times to support families to book holidays at non-peak times and prices. This includes a half term in June instead of the traditional May holiday week, alongside returning to school at the end of August, rather than September \*. This provides an additional week in the October half term \*. Please check your child's planner or the website for exact dates. Penalty Notice Fines will be issued for term time leave of 5 or more consecutive days, as well as for 10 sessions of unauthorised absence in a 10-week period.

# SCHOOL DAY FOR YEAR 7

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| <b>Session</b>         | <b>Time</b>   |
|------------------------|---------------|
| Movement to form rooms | 8.15- 8.20    |
| Registration           | 8.20 -8.50    |
| Lesson 1               | 8.50 - 9.40   |
| Lesson 2               | 9.40 - 10.30  |
| Lesson 3a              | 10.30- 10.55  |
| Break                  | 10:55 – 11:15 |
| Lesson 3c              | 11:15 – 11:40 |
| Lesson 4               | 11.40 - 12.30 |
| Lesson 5a              | 12.30 - 12.55 |
| Lunchtime              | 12.55 - 1.20  |
| Lesson 5c              | 1.20 - 1.45   |
| Lesson 6               | 1.45- 2.35    |

Please note this timetable applies only to Year 7.

Year 7 break and lunch times are separate from the rest of the school

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# COMMUNICATION

## BBG Bulletin



Published every Friday evening, the BBG Bulletin is our weekly celebration of student achievements from across the academy and outside school. It is sent to all students and parents via Edulink and is also available on our website and social accounts

## Edulink



The Edulink app is our main communication tool, and is used to share information, send messages and also for booking parents' evenings appointments. Log-in details will be sent out at the beginning of term.

## Social Media

Our school X account, @bbgacademy, is updated regularly. Many of our individual departments also have X accounts and share good news and achievements.



# SCHOOL UNIFORM

The Academy uniform should be worn on the way to school, during the school day and on the way home.



- BBG Blazer to be worn at all times unless permission is given to remove it.
  - BBG tie (purchased from school).
  - Collared white shirt with a top button– long or short sleeved.
  - Dark grey/charcoal traditional style trousers (not linen/skinny or stretch fabric).
  - Plain black or dark grey socks
  - Plain black shoes without logos or decorative elements. (see following pages for guidance)
- BBG Blazer to be worn at all times unless permission is given to remove it.
  - BBG tie (purchased from school).
  - Collared white shirt with a top button– long or short sleeved .
  - Dark grey/charcoal traditional style trousers (not linen/skinny or stretch fabric).
  - Dark grey/charcoal knee-length pleated skirt (no other style of skirt is acceptable)
  - Plain black /dark grey tights/socks (over the knee socks are not permitted)
  - Plain black shoes without logos or decorative elements (see following pages for guidance)

Please note some high-street shops sell items labelled as 'suitable school clothing'. Unless they fall in line with our policy they will not be accepted.

There will be an opportunity to purchase and/or order items of school uniform at the Year 6 Information Evening on 25 June. Alternatively, BBG Academy uniform can be purchased from Sports FX, Unit 12B Victoria Spring Business Park, Wormald Street, Liversedge, WF15 6RA. Tel 01924 923254

# SCHOOL PE KIT

All students will require trainers and football/rugby boots for outdoor use. Trainers should be appropriate for sport and have a good level of support around the ankle.

Students who are unable to take part in the PE Lesson will still be required to wear full PE Kit. Failure to bring kit will result in an equipment comment being issued.



- BBG polo shirt – indoor/outdoor use.
  - BBG shorts.
  - Navy blue football style socks
  - Gum shield for rugby.
  - Appropriate footwear must be brought to every lesson.
  - 1 pair of non-marking trainers - pumps/converse/vans or similar are not permitted.
  - 1 pair of football/rugby boots for outdoor use.
  - **OPTIONAL**
  - BBG reversible top – outdoor use only
  - BBG half zip jacket or plain navy jumper (no hood) – outdoor use only.
  - Plain white or navy base layer to be worn under BBG polo shirt – outdoor use.
  - BBG or plain navy tracksuit bottoms (other logos are not permitted)
- BBG polo shirt.
  - BBG shorts.
  - Navy blue football style socks
  - Plain white trainer socks – indoor use all year round, summer use outside.
  - Gum shield for rugby.
  - Appropriate footwear must be brought to every lesson.
  - 1 pair of clean non-marking trainers - pumps/converse/vans or similar are not permitted.
  - 1 pair of football boots for outdoor use
  - **OPTIONAL**
  - BBG full zip jacket or plain navy jumper (no hood) – outdoor use.
  - Plain white or navy base layer to be worn under BBG polo shirt – outdoor use.
  - BBG or plain navy tracksuit bottoms (other logos are not permitted).
  - BBG leggings or plain navy-blue sports leggings - outdoor use and dance.

# SCHOOL SHOES

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One of our most frequently asked questions!

- School shoes must be leather, or leather-look. Fabric, canvas or suede shoes are not permitted. Shoe with elements of suede or canvas are also not permitted
- Black trainers or pumps are not permitted. Please be aware, some shoe shops call these "school shoes", but they do not fit within our uniform policy.
- Shoes must have no decorative embellishments, chains, gold buckles, coloured stitching, motifs, coloured or reflective areas.
- Boots are not permitted for either boys or girls unless they are prescribed medically.



(These images are only representative examples of appropriate school shoes)

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# SCHOOL UNIFORM

## PRICE LIST FROM SPORTS FX



BBG Girls Blazer  
£36.00 – £42.00



BBG Boys Blazer  
£36.00 – £42.00



BBG Boys P.E. Shorts  
£13.00 – £16.00



BBG Girls P.E. Shorts  
£13.00 – £16.00



BBG Girls P.E. Polo Shirt  
£14.75 – £17.50



BBG Boys P.E. Polo Shirt  
£14.75 – £17.50



BBG Girls P.E. Leggings  
£15.00 – £18.00



BBG Girls Full Zip P.E. Training Top  
£22.00 – £24.95



BBG 1/4 Zip Boys P.E. Training Top  
£20.00 – £23.00



BBG P.E. Tracksuit Pants  
£22.00 – £25.00



BBG P.E. Socks  
£6.50 – £7.95



BBG Knitted Unisex Jumper  
£18.00 – £22.00

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# SCHOOL BAGS AND EQUIPMENT

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- Students must bring a school bag every day. Students arriving without a school bag will be removed to isolation until their bag can be brought in.
- School bags must be big enough to carry an A4 ring binder. Smaller bags are not appropriate as a main school bag
- Handbag and purse style bags are not appropriate as a main school bag.
  
- Outdoor clothing (coats, scarves, gloves, etc.) may be worn outside the school building, but may not be worn inside the school building.
- Hoodies/sweaters are not to be worn underneath the blazer.
- Students wearing outdoor clothing inside the building will be sanctioned in line with out PD system.
  
- The use of lockers is encouraged

Students' equipment is checked daily by the form tutor. Students must have:

- Pencil case
- 2 ballpoint pens (black or blue)
- 2 HB pencils
- An eraser
- A compass
- A protractor
- 30cm ruler
- Glue stick
- Whiteboard marker (non-permanent)
- Purple pen (not a felt tip pen)
- Green pen(not a felt tip pen)
- Pencil sharpener
- A Casio scientific calculator
- A small dictionary
- Earphones with a jack connection (not bluetooth)
- A reading book

Scissors are not allowed to be carried by students. If required in class, they will be provided by the teacher

There will be an opportunity to purchase required equipment at the Year 6 Information Evening on 25th June.

# OTHER USEFUL INFORMATION

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## 01 — ParentPay

This cashless system is used in school and removes the need for students to carry money. You will be able to use this to pay for food and school trips. We will issue log on details in September. More details can be found at [www.parentpay.com](http://www.parentpay.com). We do not take any cash on site.



## 02 — Snacks and lunches

We offer a full canteen style service throughout the day. Breakfast is served from 7.45am-8.15am. There is a full snack service at break (10.55-11.15am) and a range of hot and cold choices available at lunch. BBG Academy encourages students to make healthy eating choices. Students may also bring a packed lunch if they prefer.



## 03 — Lockers

There are lockers available for students to use throughout their time at BBG Academy. Locker agreement forms will be provided at Transition Evening. Lockers will be allocated to all students who request one but where demand is in excess of supply they will be on a shared basis. Please be aware that replacement lockers keys will cost £5.



## 04 — Planners

Student planners will be issued on the first day in August and will become the students' most important piece of equipment. Students must have their planners with them at all times. Planners must be checked and signed by parents/carers on a weekly basis. Please use the planner for communication with school. Replacement planners cost £5.

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# TRAVELLING TO BBG ACADEMY

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BBG Academy has a wide catchment area with students attending from around the Birstall, Birkenshaw, Gomersal and East Bierley area. There are many different ways to travel to school to make sure you arrive safely and on time. The information below will help you with making the right choice for you.

## 01 — On foot

Many of our students live close enough to the academy to walk to school, and we encourage this. Please speak to your children about walking safely, particularly on the busy roads. Students must enter the site using the pedestrian entrance from Bradford Road or the back entrance from Kingsley Drive. The Kingsley Drive entrance is locked during the school day.

## 02 — Cycle

We encourage students to cycle safely to school. Students must wear helmets and be competent and sensible riders. Students not wearing a helmet or riding safely will not be allowed to cycle to school. We have bike racks at the front and rear of school. Please bring a bike lock with you

## 03 — By car

Parents and carers may drop their children off at school by parking on Bradford Road. We would ask you to park responsibly and be mindful the Academy is in a residential area. Vehicles must not enter the school site as parking is limited to staff only and moving vehicles on site pose a health and safety risk to students.

## 04 — By bus

The school is well served by local buses and more information can be found by visiting [www.arrivabus.co.uk](http://www.arrivabus.co.uk). Please be advised that all students must have a half fare pass to access child rates on all buses.

If you are new to public transport, it's a good idea to find the stop you will be using so you will be confident and know where to go on your first day.

Details of exact routes and stops can be found at [www.arrivabus.co.uk/journeyplanner](http://www.arrivabus.co.uk/journeyplanner)

If you feel your child may be entitled to free school transport, please contact [freebuspasses4schools@kirklees.gov.uk](mailto:freebuspasses4schools@kirklees.gov.uk). Tel:01484 416982

# SCHOOL BUS SERVICE

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## Station Coaches

Station Coaches operate a school bus service on behalf of BBG Academy. Please be aware that all students will require a half fare pass to access child rates on the school bus.

The fare for all journeys is £1.60

### Inbound From – Batley-BBG Academy

Bradford Road, Smithies Lane, Birstall Market Place, Low Lane, Middlegate, Fieldhead Lane, Lowood Lane, Rochester Road, Branwell Avenue, Lowood Lane, Fieldhead Lane, Church Street, Bradford Road, BBG Academy.

### Outbound - BBG Academy-Batley

BBG Academy, Bradford Road, Church Street, Fieldhead Lane, Lowood Lane, Rochester Road, Branwell Avenue, Lowood Lane, Fieldhead Lane, Middlegate, Birstall Market Place, Leeds Road, Upper Batley Low Lane, Windmill Lane, Upper Batley Lane, Intake Lane, Brookroyd Lane, Bradford Road.

Bradford Road, Batley (outside bus station) 07.25am  
Bradford Road, Batley, (Mother Hubbards) 07.28am  
Birstall Market Place (Co-op) 07.32am  
Fieldhead Estate (via Church Lane) 07.44am  
Arrive BBG Academy 08.00am

Depart BBG Academy 2.40pm  
Fieldhead Estate 2.50pm  
Birstall Market Place 3.00pm  
Howden Clough 3.05pm  
Batley Girls' High School 3.10pm  
Bradford Road, Batley, (Mother Hubbards) 15.20pm

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# RESILIENCE CAMP

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## Resilience Camp - Week Beginning 8 September 2025

All BBG Year 7 students take part in a compulsory three day (two night) Resilience Camp in the week beginning 8<sup>th</sup> September.

The aim of the camp is to develop social, physical, emotional and intellectual resilience. It has been a very important and successful part of our resilience curriculum for a number of years.

As well as developing resilience, our camp is a great opportunity for our new students to make new friends and gain confidence.

Resilience Camp is compulsory for all students and free of charge.

Full details of the camp will be provided at the Transition Evening on 25<sup>th</sup> June

A full kit list for camp is on the following page.

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# RESILIENCE CAMP KIT LIST

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## 01 — Basic items - essential

- Warm sleeping bag (tied and wrapped in strong bin liner and clearly named)
- Blanket or Karrimat for under the sleeping bag
- Fully waterproof cagoule or plastic mac

## 02 — Clothing

- Hardwearing trainers or walking boots
- Jeans, trousers, tracksuit
- Shirts
- Hat
- Sweaters
- T-shirts
- Shorts
- Pyjamas or separate tracksuit for sleeping in
- Underwear
- Wellington boots (optional)
- Socks

(Please be aware that some activities will involve getting wet during the day, so a change of clothes will be useful whilst other clothes dry).

## 03 — Personal hygiene

**(shower and wash facilities are available on site)**

- Towel
- Shower gel/soap
- Toothpaste and toothbrush
- Shampoo

## 04 — Other items

- Rucksack - for carrying waterproofs, lunch etc.
- Torch and spare batteries
- Spare plastic bags for dirty/wet clothing
- Spare strong dustbin bag for sleeping bags on return journey clearly labelled with name
- A strap or belt for tying-up sleeping bag at the end of camp
- Pencil case, including pen, pencil, pencil sharpener, rubber, ruler

ALL ITEMS SHOULD BE CLEARLY MARKED WITH FIRST NAME AND SURNAME.

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# RESILIENCE CAMP KIT LIST

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## Other important information

### ELECTRICAL PRODUCTS

Students **MUST NOT** bring any electrical equipment such as iPods, MP3 players and PSPs.

### MOBILE PHONES

Mobile phones are banned and must not be brought to camp. They present the risk of theft, loss or damage and have caused significant disruption to the smooth running of camp in previous years.

An emergency mobile phone contact is available to and from camp. Numbers will be issued prior to camp.

Please note:

BBG Academy will not accept any liability for, or spend time investigating incidents that lead to the theft, loss or damage of mobile phones or other electrical equipment brought to camp against our directions. Any such equipment found on site will be confiscated for the duration of camp and returned to students when we arrive back at school.

### LUGGAGE

Students must restrict their luggage to one small suitcase or bag, a sleeping bag, and a small drawstring-type day sack or rucksack.

### SPENDING MONEY

Because of the shortness of the stay, and the fact that all food is provided we suggest that students bring no more than £3.00 which can be spent in the tuck shop on site (maximum of £1.50 per day). Students do not require any spending money and will be responsible for any money they bring. It is advised that they keep any money on their person at all times as BBG Academy will not be responsible for any loss or theft of money.

# EXPECTATIONS OF SCHOOL UNIFORM

## (FROM OUR SCHOOL PLANNER)

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- All students must wear plain black shoes that have no logos or white/coloured decorative elements. Boots, trainers, backless, suede or cloth footwear are NOT allowed. Patent leather are permitted.
  - Socks must be black or dark grey without a pattern.
  - Students may wear belts but they must be plain black with no studs or decoration.
  - School shirts must fit properly and must have a top button and full collar.
  - Linen or slim/skinny fit trousers are not acceptable. This includes trousers that have been taken in and adapted to become skinny.
  - Jewellery is not permitted in school for any student at any time. A single watch may be worn. Any jewellery confiscated will be placed in an envelope and stored securely. It will only be returned to students on the following Friday at 2:30 pm. A detention will be issued.
  - Skirts should be knee length.
  - Without exception, all make-up is banned in Years 7, 8 and 9. This includes nail varnish, false nails and false eyelashes.
  - Students arriving in coats, scarves and gloves must only wear them outside the building. Hoodies/non-school jumpers are not to be worn on the school grounds at any time, including before and after school.
  - Students are only allowed to have natural hair colouring. Greens, blues, reds, etc. are not allowed. Any student with inappropriate hair colour will be removed from circulation. Inappropriate fashion hairstyles are also not permitted, which includes shaved hair, tram lines and other patterns. Students will be removed to Isolation and only permitted back in mainstream lessons when the style is appropriate. Decorative bows and ribbons are not permitted.
  - Students can remove their blazers in class with staff permission but must have their ties and top buttons fastened. Shirts must be tucked in at all times including travelling to and from the Academy.
  - Blazers can be taken off outside the building during break and lunchtime periods.
  - Blazers must be worn at all times in the school building when not in lessons. Students not wearing a blazer will be issued with a detention.
  - Henna is not permitted.
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# EXPECTATIONS OF SCHOOL UNIFORM

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Please be aware:

- Students who arrive at school with incorrect uniform will be removed to Isolation immediately. BBG Academy does not accept notes from parents or carers explaining issues relating to uniform. If your child arrives at school without the correct uniform or hairstyle, for whatever reason, they will be removed to Isolation until the uniform or hairstyle has been corrected. An exception would be considered in light of a serious medical reason but only when a member of the leadership team has seen a letter from a doctor, physiotherapist or other medical specialist to confirm that reason.
  - Confiscated items will be returned to students at 2:30pm on the Friday that follows the confiscation. Items can be collected from reception. Where an item has been confiscated because it is deemed to be dangerous or that it poses a risk to student safety (sharp objects, laser pens, etc), the item will only be returned to a parent or carer and only in person.
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# TECHNOLOGY

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To have access to the Internet students must follow the following rules;



## 01 — Internet

- Students must not share their password with anyone else.
- Students must not download anything that is sexist, racist, indecent or abusive.
- Students must not download any screen saver, program or game without permission from an authorised person.
- Students must not do anything that may damage or harm the school ICT system.
- Students should only use sites and materials that are appropriate to their schoolwork.

All Internet use is monitored and reported to the Principal.

Deliberately damaging equipment is vandalism and will result in exclusion and a bill for repair/replacement.

Inappropriate use of the internet, including social media, games, unacceptable sites or damaging others work will result in detention, Isolation or exclusion. You may also lose the use of your internet access.



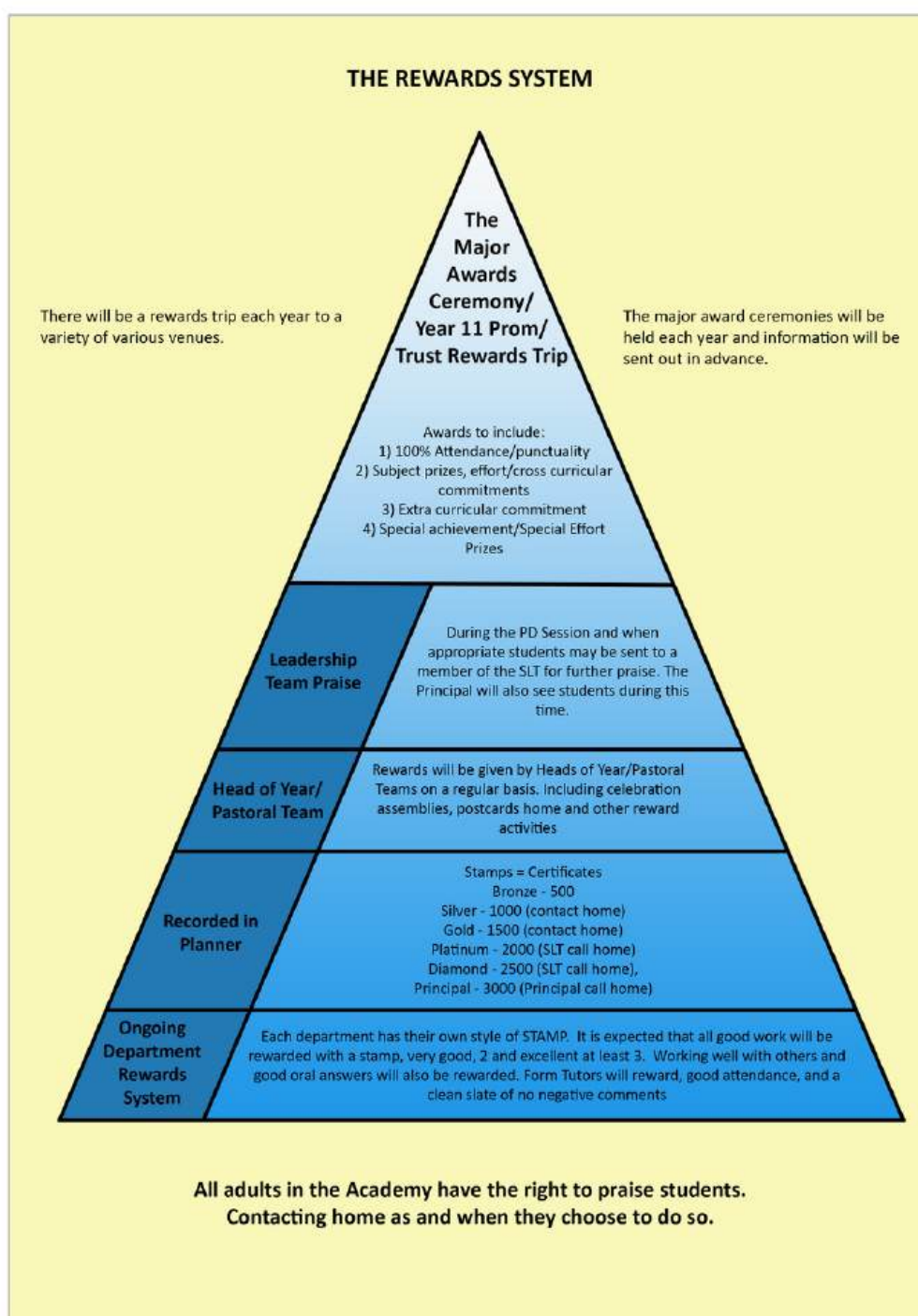
## 02 — Mobile phones and smart watches

We recognise that mobile phones may be necessary before and after school for some of our students. Mobile phones are brought to school at your own risk. Students are not allowed to use mobile phones or smart watches whilst in the school building. They must be switched off and out of sight from 7.30am until 3.30pm. Please note, mobile phones seen heard or used will be confiscated and returned at the end of the school day on Fridays at 2.30pm. If a student wants to contact home they must go to the main reception at either break or lunch time and request to call home.

Smart watches are not permitted, however watches that measure steps are permitted as long as they do not connect to the internet. All contact with and by students during the school day, should be made through the school switchboard – 01274 871225.

# REWARDS

Rewards are designed to encourage positive behaviour, attendance and attitudes towards learning. The aim of BBG Academy's students is to achieve and succeed. Effort, achievement, resilience and success are recognised in a number of different ways.



# BEHAVIOUR POLICY

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BBG Academy follows the Positive Discipline policy which is in place across the Rodillian Multi Academy Trust. We do not, and will not, tolerate behaviour that disrupts learning. Please read the following information very carefully.

## Around School Rules

- Be polite and respect the feelings of others.
- Do as you are told by staff – first time, every time.
- Wear your school uniform correctly at all times.
- Eat and drink in the right place at the right time.
- Look after property and put litter in bins.
- Walk around the building quietly and sensibly.

## Classroom Rules

- Arrive on time, fully equipped and ready to work.
- Have your equipment and planner open on the desk, ready for a silent register.
- Listen carefully when a member of staff or another student is talking.
- Do your work well without disturbing others.
- Put your hand up and wait for permission to speak.
- Mobile phones and smart watches to be switched off and in bags at all times during the school day.

Further details of the Academy's expectations of behaviour are listed in greater detail in the student planner.

By following these rules students will be equipped and prepared to learn and allow others to learn and teachers to teach. These rules also govern the way we should all behave in school between lessons and at breaks and lunchtime, as well as to and from school.

We believe that students who maintain these rules will be able to work together for success and can be rewarded accordingly.

When students misbehave, they can expect escalating consequences from a verbal warning to a suspension. Repeated misbehaviour within a lesson which disrupts the learning of others will lead to removal from lessons and time in Isolation. Certain behaviour will never be acceptable and will result in an automatic fixed-term-exclusion.

These include verbal abuse, violent behaviour, intentional damage/vandalism to property or buildings, repeated defiance.

There are some rare but very serious incidents where the Principal will always consider permanent expulsion. These are aggravated violence, deliberately setting-off the fire alarm, possession of illegal substances, actions which endanger the health and safety of the school community, assaults against staff (a detailed list is available in school).

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# CONSEQUENCES

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Most young people need clear guidelines in terms of what is considered to be acceptable behaviour.

We have written a clear set of classroom and around school rules. These rules can be found in the student planner. At times, we have to accept that people will not behave or work in an acceptable manner. Please take time to read and consider:

- When misbehaviour is minor, a 'verbal warning' will be given.
- If misbehaviour is more serious or continues after a verbal warning has been issued, a written comment will be put into the student planner.
- If misbehaviour is more serious or continues a second comment will be issued and the student will be moved within the room where possible.
- A third comment within the same lesson will result in a detention for the 3 comments, a moved room and a second detention for the moved room.
- Three negative written comments in a subject per half term will result in a school detention.
- Failure to attend a detention will lead to a Principal's detention.
- Failure to attend a Principal's detention will result in the Principal's detention being reissued and isolation.
- Students who miss more than 2 detentions within the academic year will be given isolation for any further missed detentions.
- Eight negative comments within a single week will result in a student receiving a Principal's detention.
- A further four comments within a week (Twelve comments in total) will result in a student receiving isolation.
- Misbehaviour around school, students will receive as a minimum a comment, they will be given 10 seconds to comply.
- Any student who is particularly disruptive and/or refuses to follow the classroom or around school rules will be removed to Isolation for a period of time.
- In the event of continued disruption of the learning of others a fixed term suspension from school will be considered.

ANY STUDENT FAILING TO MEET THE HIGH EXPECTATIONS OF ACCEPTABLE BEHAVIOUR, MAY NOT BE ELIGIBLE TO TAKE PART IN SCHOOL REWARD TRIPS.

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