

Y6 – Y7: Transition Evening

Dedicated to Excellence

Welcome

- Thank you for choosing Up Holland
- Exciting time to join us
- Popular school with more applications than places
- Ofsted good rating in all areas
- More high quality staff recruited for September to complement the existing team
- Commitment to continue investing in improvements to the site

Key points of contact

- Mr Scarborough Headteacher
- Mrs Bond Director of Standards
- Mr Blackledge Deputy Headteacher
- Mr Priestley Lead for Behaviour & Attitudes
- Mr Callaghan Deputy Lead for Behaviour and Attitudes
- Mrs Carty Senior Personal Development Manager for Year 7
- Mrs Dewhurst- SENCO

School Values

- Encourage the children and the staff to be the best they can be in all situations
- We have high expectations and standards
- Our ambition is to develop the whole child through the promotion of our character programme: LORIC
- Leadership, Organisation, Resilience, Initiative, Communication
- We appreciate that al children are different and have diverse needs.

Standards and Behaviour

- Very clear rules and expectations will be explained and discussed further on the first day in school
- Home School Agreement we ask all parents/students to sign this, lays out what you as families can expect from school and what we expect from you
- Behaviour Policy please see the website for further details
- We will not tolerate any behaviour that has a negative impact on learning – students have the right to learn and teachers have the right to teach

- Support mechanisms for those that require them pastoral team of five Senior Personal Development Managers with a designated lead for Y7 Mrs Carty, Lead and Deputy of Behaviour and Attitudes, Attendance Team, Well-being hub
- Synergy online system, parents have their own account to monitor attendance, behaviour, access letters and make appointments for Parents Evening
- Mobile phones are not to be used in school unless directed by the teacher as part of their learning phones will be confiscated if seen at other times. See policy on website for further details
- If students need to make contact with home it can be done through the school office/pastoral office

Standards and Behaviour

- Hair must be of conventional cut and natural colour no extreme hairstyles
- No nail polish, false nails, false eye lashes, make up or jewellery
- We want our conversations with students to be positive and encouraging, not having to spend disproportionate amount of time discussing rules and expectations which students should just adhere to
- We see our students as young adults and as such we expect them to be responsible and mature in managing their own behaviour and taking responsibility for their choices and their actions

Rewards

- Positive attitude to learning and behaviour
- Aim to be 'Dedicated to Excellence': meet the challenges
- Daily Reward Points
- Broadcast messages home
- Postcards home
- Wheel of names
- Attendance prizes
- Termly Reward Assemblies
- Reward Trips
- Headteacher 'Afternoon tea'



Synergy

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- Parent portal system
- Calendar important school dates
- Rewards/Behaviour live information
- Attendance
- Parent Evening Appointments online
- Homework see all homework set
- Reports download all reports
- Communication letters, messages
- App for mobile phones due soon

Really has increased communication between home and school.

Homework

- Makes a big difference to the student progress
- Synergy Parent Portal all homework on Synergy
- Opportunities to complete at school within and after the school day
- Focus on the development of reading and literacy as skills in these areas underpin all learning in all curriculum areas



Missing 17 days in one year can mean dropping a full grade at GCSE!

Attendance

- Aim 100% attendance
- Minimum expectation of 96%
- 90% attendance = $\frac{1}{2}$ day missed every week
- Attendance forms to support students
- Phone us to tell us why your child is absent
- Only allow days at home for genuine illness
- Avoid holidays in school time, will not be authorised
- Medical evidence will need to be provided if attendance falls below 93%
- If you have concerns ring Mrs Lowery

If you have 5 days of unauthorised absence in a term school has the right to apply for a Fixed Penalty Notice to be issued.

If your child's attendance is 95% or above then there is a 75% chance they will achieve 5 9 - 4 passes at GCSE!

Uniform





Girls

- Fitted navy blazer with embroidered new logo
- Blue shirt
- Clip-on tie with embroidered logo
- Grey/Blue check skirt embroidered logo knee length
- Navy trousers with embroidered logo
- Grey knee-high sock/Grey thick tights (no ribbons/patterns/lace)
- Plain black shoe
- Year 11 navy embroidered sweater
- Hair bands/scrunchies/bobbles plain navy in colour, hair tied back for practical lessons.

Boys

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- Navy blazer with embroidered new logo
- Blue shirt
 - Clip on tie with embroidered logo
- Navy trousers with embroidered logo
- Plain navy sock
- Plain black shoe
 - Year 11 navy embroidered sweater

- Students must be in full school uniform and wear it with pride
- A number of suppliers with a link on the website





PE & Performing Arts Uniform

Students must wear full kit to all PE/Performing Arts lessons (compulsory items):

- Navy blue t-shirt with UH logo
- Navy blue UH badged shorts OR navy blue UH badged leggings OR navy blue UH badged tracksuit pants
- Navy blue half zip UH badged top
- Football boots (no metal studs)
- Shin pads (mandatory for football, rugby and hockey)
- Navy blue football socks
- Trainers (Converse/VANS or other pumps are not allowed)
- Hair bobble (for hair past the ears)
- A spare plastic bag or equivalent to carry items in





- Set on entry based on a combination of teacher assessment and tests when students arrive
- Tailored to the students needs ensuring each child is happy and feels appropriately challenged
- Regular review of sets throughout the year
- Some classes will be mixed ability
- PD groups are a mix of familiar faces and new friends

First Day Back at School

- Monday 5th September 2022
- Meet by the turning circle at 8.45 am
- Short Welcome Assembly
- Personal Development Time: Timetable, tour of school, opportunity to put money onto the cashless system for food/drinks
- Year 7 have early lunch for the first half term
- They also have a designated area to socialise

Transport

- Transport provided from and to Skelmersdale by Lancashire County Council is provided by Grayway.
- Public transport available from St Helens / Wigan Arriva '352'







Other information: Dedicated website page



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Dedication to Excellence

- I look forward to meeting you and the students in September, confident they will receive an excellent education delivered by a dedicated team of professionals.
- This is a rapidly improving school that has the students at the core of its ethos.
- Our ambition is for all students to leave with positive results and to develop their character and key skills of leadership, organisation, resilience, initiative and communication (LORIC) that will support them for the rest of their lives.