



Year 6 Transition Evening



Thursday 18th June 2026

Maximising our Potential



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Congratulations on gaining a place at Kirkby High School





Our Philosophy

Maximising our Potential





Our Vision

A community driven by high expectations
and mutual respect providing all
individuals with the belief and opportunities
to succeed now and in the future



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HIGH SCHOOL



**MAXIMISING OUR
POTENTIAL**

KINDNESS

RESILIENCE

ASPIRATION

RESPECT

CONFIDENCE



The Kirkby Child





The Kirkby Code

Our Curriculum for Behaviour

- Allow teachers to teach, and students to learn
- Do things first time, every time
- Be prepared to learn, with the correct equipment
- Be respectful to others and our environment
- Do all things to the best of my ability



Attendance



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Attendance

DON'T GO **MISSING**
FROM SCHOOL

OTHERWISE YOU'LL **MISS OUT** ON GOOD JOBS AND A GOOD SALARY, QUALIFICATIONS, LEARNING,
NEW SKILLS, SOCIALISING, PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT, ACCESS TO A RANGE OF SUPPORT AND SO MUCH MORE!

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Attendance

Students must attend every day.

If you have less than 7 days absence,
you will be really successful at Kirkby
High School.





Attendance

Persistently absent means that a child misses 19 or more of days in school.

Why it matters?

- Your child will be happy and feel a sense of belonging to our school community



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Why it matters?

- If your child achieves near-perfect attendance, they are almost twice as likely to achieve grade 5 in English and Maths GCSE, compared to similar students who are persistently absent
- If your child is persistently absent they are 60% less likely to be employed compared to those with good attendance when they are older



Attendance

Good attendance builds habits for the future.

Each day of absence costs around £750 of your lifetime earnings.





What to do if your child is absent?

- Please call the school and leave a message on your child's first day of absence
- Our attendance mentors will be in contact and visit your home if the absence continues and no reason is provided
- Aim to have medical appointments outside of school hours where possible. If an appointment is in the afternoon, your child should attend in the morning, and vice versa
- Term time holidays are not approved
- Year 7 children may worry about school and may say that they are ill. If you suspect this, please contact the Year 7 team and their worries will be dealt with



Punctuality

Lost minutes mean lost learning. Did you know that being late 15 minutes every day is the same as missing 2 whole weeks of school over a full academic year?

Don't be late...be here by 8:38



Communication



- Please download the app to use on your phone
- Provide a valid email address to the school to access your account
- Full details will be provided in September



Teaching and Learning

- Do Now activities
- Recall and retrieval
- Modelling
- Deliberate Practice
- Homework
- Assessments
- Feedback



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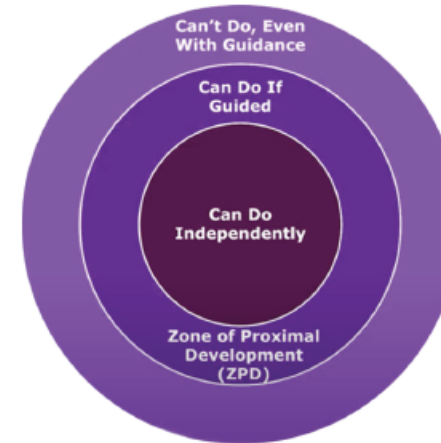
THE PURPLE ZONE



A new strategy that will begin on Monday 23rd February

How will it work?

- It will take place in the second half of every lesson for 15 minutes
- Your child will work independently for 10 minutes
- The teacher will circulate but not give feedback
- After 10 minutes, the teacher will stop the class and give some whole class feedback
- Your child will then have the remaining 5 minutes to correct any misconceptions and complete the work



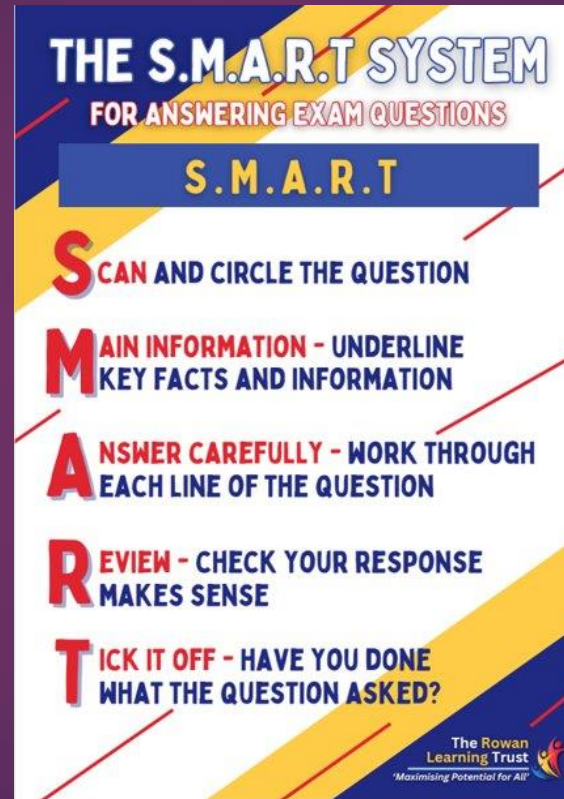
Based on Vygotsky's Zone of Proximal Development.

The closer you get to the centre, the more effective your learning.

**It will develop independence and resilience
in the lead up to your final exams!**



Teaching and Learning





Homework Expectations

Homework is set regularly, and it is expected students complete it and hand it in on time.

Homework may be completed in exercise books or worksheets.

All homework is recorded on Arbor, for which your child (and you) will have a log-in.



Inclusion at Kirkby High School

The inclusion department helps to ensure all students needs are met across all areas of school.

Your child will be supported with transition through:

- Transition meetings with primary schools
- Inclusion staff used to support on transition day
- Additional SEN / EAL testing
- Any student with an identified SEND need will have a student profile create that will be shared with all their teachers and with them and you
- Inclusion staff presence at the initial progress & aspirations evening in September



Safeguarding, wellbeing and support offer at Kirkby High School





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- Delivery of age appropriate safeguarding topics
- Ethos and culture that promotes safeguarding and well-being
- Mental health support team for different levels of support
- Family support



Opportunities

- A year group trip in Year 7, 8 and 9
- Visits to Dolly Hall
- Extra curricular lunch and after school clubs
- Residential visits to Dolly Hall
- Trips abroad, such as New York and skiing
- Trips to local colleges and universities



Kirkby Child Journey

At Kirkby High School we provide all students with the opportunities to develop into well-rounded individuals, successfully both academically and personally



	Year7	Year 8	Year9	Year10	Year11
Careers Opportunities	NHS careers project Careers Fayre Meeting with careers advisor	Women in STEM Careers Fayre Meeting with careers advisor	Options guidance linked to careers Careers Fayre Meeting with careers advisor Options coaching with Careers Advisor Meeting with SLT to confirm options	College visits Work Experience Careers Fayre Meeting with careers advisor Apprenticeships event	Mock Interviews Application support and guidance Careers Fayre Meeting with careers advisor
Personal Development	Careers/Sense of self/ e-safety/ radicalisation/ bullying/ developing confidence Knife crime Disability/inclusion Health Violence against women British values Diversity Anti social behaviour Health and fitness	Labour Market Information Importance of resilience Violence Against Women and Girls Careers Knife crime Disability/inclusion Health Violence against women British values Diversity Anti social behaviour Health and fitness	Labour Market Information Importance of resilience Violence Against Women and Girls Careers Knife crime Disability/inclusion Health Violence against women British values Diversity Anti social behaviour Health and fitness	Substance misuse/risks County lines Healthy/unhealthy relationships Money management/gambling work experience Legal system/protest Diversity Careers Knife crime Disability/inclusion Health Violence against women British values Diversity Anti social behaviour Health and fitness	Substance misuse/risks Fake news Democracy and protest Citizenship Genocide Careers/next steps Knife crime Disability/inclusion Health Violence against women British values Diversity Anti social behaviour Health and fitness
Enrichment	Shaping futures: Life in education/social sciences sessions INTO University: Goals and aspirations/ becoming an independent learner Lunch/afterschool clubs	Shaping futures: Leadership/life in higher education/skills for higher education INTO University: learning techniques/pathways to success Lunch/afterschool clubs	Shaping futures: study skills/ decision making INTO University: transferable skills within careers/ introduction to University life/leadership Lunch/afterschool clubs	Shaping futures: Post 16 pathways/study skills/ Winstanley masterclass INTO University: Entrepreneurship/communication in the workplace Lunch/afterschool clubs	Shaping futures: Study skills/ managing finance INTO University: Education choices/ post 16 pathways
Trips	Chester Zoo Blackpool Pleasure Beach	Quarry Bank Mill Adlib Studios Blackpool Pleasure Beach	Dolly Hall Manchester Airport LIPA Sixth Form College Blackpool Pleasure Beach	KCC College Visit taster day West Lanes College taster day Geography Fieldwork visits Blackpool Pleasure Beach	PromProm Dolly Hall Revision trips
Student Leadership	Student council Transition Leaders	Student council Transition Leaders	Student council Respect Ambassadors	Student council Prefect team Mentors in Violence Prevention	Student council Head boy/girl



Who to contact if you have an issue?

- Year 7 Head of Year: Miss Peacock
- Year 7 Pastoral Mentor: Mrs Ellis
- Your child's Form Tutor
- Assistant Headteacher/SENDSCO: Mr Carroll
- Head of Inclusion: Mrs McDonald
- Assistant Headteacher/Year 7 Link: Mrs Butler
- Mrs Rigby: Designated Safeguarding Lead



Uniform

- High standards and expectations regarding uniform
- Full uniform list and PE kit can be found on our website and in the Year 6 transition booklet
- Please ensure names are in or on all items of clothing
- School skirts need to be knee length
- Blazers must be worn at all times around the school building
- Hair brushes are not to be seen around school and will be confiscated

Your uniform order is ready to be picked up this evening. If you require a different size or have not yet ordered, please visit Kids Kirkby after 15th July.



School Bags

Your child's school bag must be big enough to carry an A4 planner, knowledge organiser and homework folder.

Students will also need to carry:

- Pencil case (including pencils, pens, ruler, sharpener, rubber, colour pencils)
- Bottle of water
- PE kit/food technology ingredients (on days when these items are needed)





Shoes





Coats



No logos
No hoodies or tracksuit tops





Personal Appearance



- Hair not shorter than 'No.2'
- No extreme styles or 'Mohican' styles
- No lines shaved
- No un-natural colours/ obvious streaks



Personal Appearance

- No makeup is to be worn for school. Students will be asked to remove any with a face wipe during form time
- No painted or false nails
- No false eyelashes
- No piercings including earrings

Students will receive a sanction if they refuse to remove the above or we have persistent issues.



Banned Items

- **Jewellery** (with the exception of a wrist watch)
- **Mobile phones/smart watches** must be switched off at the school gates and completely out of sight throughout the day
- **Aerosol/body sprays** are completely banned as they can affect the fire alarm system and are problematic to children with asthma
- **Fizzy drinks and energy drinks** are completely banned and will not be returned



School Bus Services

771 - Towerhill/Quarry Green

Morning		After School	
Bank Lane/Windermere Drive	07:50	Kirkby High School	15:20
Headbolt Lane/County road	08:00	Kirkby Station	15:30
Quarry Green	08:13	Headbolt Lane/ County Rd	15:35
Kirkby Station	08:18	Windermere Drive	15:45
Kirkby High School	08:30	Quarry Green	15:55

Bus fare is £1 per journey



School Bus Services

772 - Northwood

Morning		After School	
All Saints School	08:05	Kirkby High School	15:20
Bramcote Walk	08:10	Simonswood Walk	15:30
Quarry Green	08:13	Quarry Green	15:32
Simonswood Walk	08:20	Bramcote Walk	15:35
Kirkby High School	08:30	All Saints Sch	15:40

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The Canteen

- Cashless biometric system on Arbor
- Allergies – complete dietary requirements details form ASAP if you have not already
- Those eligible for free school meals will have money added automatically



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Year 7 Team Building





How can you support your child

- Ensure your child is prepared for school each day
- Be extra vigilant with social media
- Keep up to date with the Arbor app



If the member of staff you need to speak to is unavailable...

- Unless it is an emergency, please avoid coming to reception and asking to see a specific member of staff as they are likely to be teaching or in a meeting
- Please ring or email admin@kirkbyhighschool.net and request an appointment
- Please do not email staff directly
- Leave a message with the office and someone will get back to you (may sometimes be after 3pm)
- An emergency situation will be treated differently



Important Date

Transition day

Friday 26th June 2026



Please can you complete and sign

- 1. The home school agreement**
- 2. Biometric form**



Thank you for choosing Kirkby
High School

Any questions or concerns,
please email
transition@kirkbyhighschool.net