

Ref: HYA/JBA/RHe

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Dear Parent/Carer,

Thank you for your ongoing support over the course of the first term of this academic year, I would like to take the opportunity to share with you some reminders for the start of next term.

### **Punctuality**

We are really pleased with the punctuality of pupils at the start of the school day. I would like to thank you for your help in getting your child to school on time, correctly dressed with the essential equipment required for learning effectively.

Here at The Snaith School the overwhelming majority of pupils meet our high expectations, and I would ask for your continued support in ensuring that your child is in school for 8.45am each day, in full correct uniform and properly equipped to learn. The late team will meet any pupils who arrive after 8.45am and they will be recorded as late on the gate. Entrance after 9.00am will be via the school intercom system, as the school gates will be closed. Pupils will have to enter the school via the main reception entrance where the late team will meet pupils arriving after registration has commenced.

### **Equipment**

It is important that all our pupils are ready for the school day, making sure they have the correct equipment on a daily basis is vital to ensuring that lessons can begin promptly. Pupils are able to exchange their reward points for a variety of different stationery if they choose to do so. Below is a list of equipment pupils will need each day:

- Pens
- Ruler
- Pair of compasses
- Coloured pencils
- Glue stick
- Purple pen
- Pencils
- Rubber
- Pencil sharpener
- Scientific calculator
- Planner

If you are concerned that your child does not have the correct equipment, do get in touch with your child's Year Leader and we will always endeavour to help.

### **School Planner**

The school planner is crucial to everything at school. It is a fundamental tool to help pupils organise themselves. It also is the main focus for rewards. We urge you to look in your child's planner each day and congratulate them on the number of reward stamps they have received. Three stamps are awarded each morning by your child's form tutor for being punctual, being dressed correctly and being fully equipped. Three stamps are awarded in lessons for being ready to learn and for working hard.

You will also be able to see if your child has had any written warnings, again it is important that you discuss these with your child. I would like to remind you that many of the warnings are exactly that, a warning/reminder and carry no further consequence unless your child accrues a certain number of warnings each week (4 written warnings and 6 written warnings). Please can I also ask that you sign your child's planner each week so that you can see how many rewards your child has achieved that week.

### **School Uniform**

We are very mindful of the cost-of-living crisis and have made some important amendments this academic year to our uniform policy in order to keep our uniform affordable. We have ensured that many items can be purchased cheaply on the high street or from supermarkets. As a school, we do help with the cost of uniform for our pupil premium/disadvantaged pupils. Please do contact the school if you would like more information regarding this.

I am sure that you will agree how smart our pupils look for school, we are very proud that the vast majority of pupils wear their school uniform with pride. As we are ready to start the spring term, you may find that your child has outgrown their uniform, if you have any uniform items that are still in a good condition, we hope that you would consider donating this to our pre-loved uniform scheme.

We are aware that over the festive break pupils may have taken the opportunity to have lash extensions, false nails, have piercings or colour their hair. We request that for the start of term, that any false lashes and lash extensions are fully removed. We also require any false nails, gels or acrylics to be removed together with any piercings that do not meet our policy. Any extreme hair colours will also need to be rectified before the start of term. We ask for your full cooperation with this as this ensures a smooth start to the term.

Finally, on behalf of the Pastoral Team at The Snaith School, I would like to thank you for your support last term, this is vital to the continued success of our school. If you have any questions or queries, please do not hesitate to contact the school and we will be happy to help with your query.

Yours faithfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'J Barton', written in a cursive style.

Mr Jim Barton  
Deputy Headteacher