

# Welcome to Nether Stowe School

YEAR 7 - SEPTEMBER 2022

# Class of 2022



Moving from primary to secondary school is an exciting time:

- 😊 to make new friends
- 😊 to learn new skills
- 😊 to study new subjects
- 😊 to try out new activities
- 😊 to become more independent

# Some of the differences could be:



- having to travel further
- having to wear a full school uniform
- new routines
- having lots of different teachers
- moving from classroom to classroom for different lessons
- more homework
- having to be more organised!

# Expectations

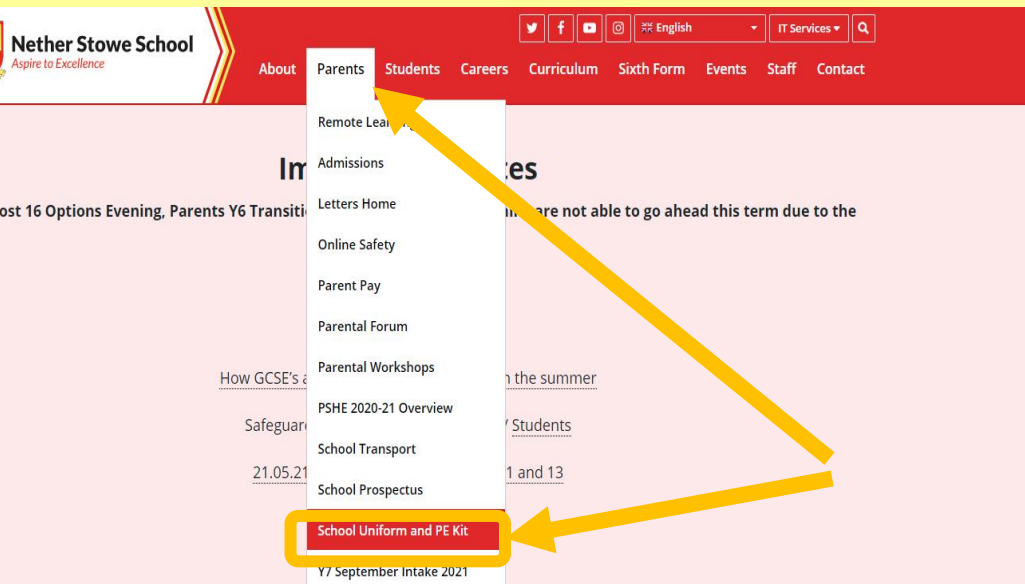


- As a school we have high expectations of all our students and expect pupils to reach these.
- High expectations help to foster a positive learning environment in classrooms regarding behaviour.
- But also high expectations of attitudes around school ensure that our school has a safe and welcoming atmosphere.

# Uniform expectations



- Guidance can be found on the school website:



## School Uniform and PE Kit

### School Uniform

- Black blazer with school badge to be worn at all times
- White shirt with collar which buttons to the neck and worn tucked in at all times
- Black skirt - must be knee length and not be of a tight-fitting style or material
- Black trousers must be plain, formal and of an office style with no visible zips
- Black V-neck knitted sweater (optional) - plain and long sleeved (no cardigans)
- School College tie - clip on type which must always be worn
- Dark socks or plain tights
- Shoes (boys and girls); plain black leather style in appearance, all shoes must have a heel (less than 2.5 cm)
- Coat (not a hooded top) which should be plain and dark

**Expectations regarding school uniform will be strictly enforced**

**PLEASE NOTE:**



# Uniform expectations



Follow the guidance on the webpage.

Please note, your tie needs to be the same colour as your college.

Beacon - Yellow

Chase - Red

Trent - Green

Wall - Blue

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- Students are expected to uphold the school uniform policy at all times, including on their journey to and from school.
- We want students to look smart and be proud to wear Nether Stowe uniform.
- When they wear the uniform, they are representatives of the school and behaviour expectations tie into this.



# Mobile phones



We have a strict Mobile Phone Policy.

The underlying aim is to safeguard all members of the school community.

The policy has proved very successful in reducing the number of social media related incidents in school, supporting improved focus on learning, and students are now engaged in conversation with each other at break and lunch!

- If you feel your child needs to bring a phone to school (for example due to a long journey home or attendance at an after-school club / fixture), they must turn it off and put away, before walking through the school gate.
- If you need to contact your child as an emergency or they need to make contact with you, before the end of the school day, this can be done via the main school office.

# Equipment



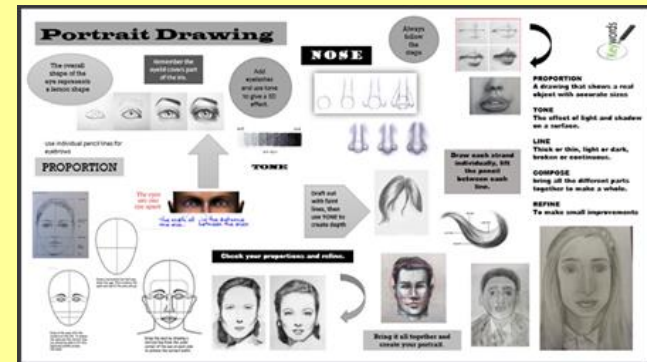
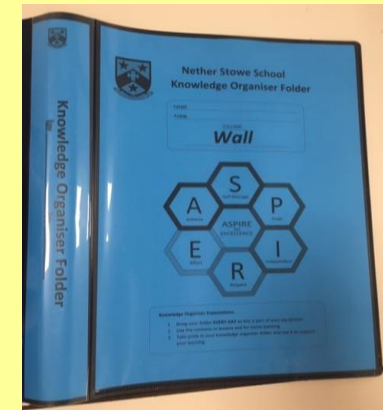
Two black pens  
Green pen  
Pencil  
Pencil sharpener  
Eraser  
15cm ruler  
Compass  
Protractor  
Hair bobble (long hair)  
Scientific calculator  
Refillable water bottle.



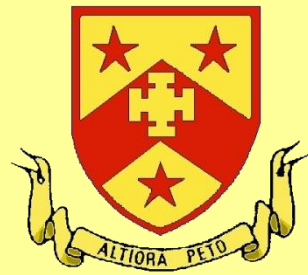
# Knowledge organisers



- Knowledge Organiser folders will be distributed on your first day. The colour of the front cover will match your College.
- They will be used in school to support your learning and at home to encourage independent study and knowledge retrieval practice.
- Your form tutors will check that you have these every day.



# Heads of College & Pastoral Heads



Mr M Dolman ~ Miss B Wort



Mr A Cunningham ~ Mrs S Appleton



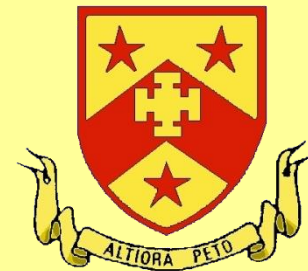
Mr B Novis ~ To be appointed



Mr R Sault ~ Mrs J Harrison



# Senior Leadership Team



Mr Langston-Jones  
Headteacher



Mr Peace  
Senior Assistant Head  
Teaching & Learning



Mr Shaw  
Deputy Head  
Curriculum & Outcomes



Miss Sullivan  
Senior Assistant Head  
SEND, Welfare & Safeguarding  
(DSL)



Mr Cain  
Assistant Head  
Behaviour and Culture  
Joining Sept 2022

# Vertical tutoring



- Form groups will be made up of students from Years 7 to 11.
- Creates a 'family' environment within the school community.
- Allows older student to become mentors and role models.
- Gives students a friendly face around school, beyond their year group.
- Reduces bullying, by breaking down barriers and encouraging empathy across all age groups.
- Fosters a sense of identity within college (college tie)
- Builds an atmosphere of positive competition

# Vertical tutoring structure



Head Students (Y13)

Senior Student Team: SST  
(Y10/11)

Form Tutor

Pastoral Head

Head of College



# Student Leaders (SST)



- Act as mentors and positive role models
- Represent student views from within their college (student voice)
- Liaise between Senior Leadership and students
- Remind students of school rules, challenging where necessary

# Form Tutor



- You will see your Form Tutor every morning - they will get to know you well
- Monitors attendance
- Well-being overview
- Monitors behaviour using credits & debits
- Monitors progress through data checks
- First point of contact for parents/carers

# Pastoral Head



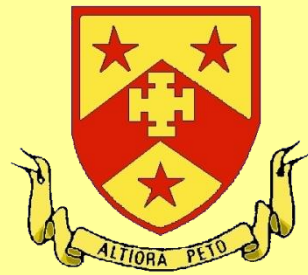
- Non-teaching staff, therefore can be more accessible during the school day
- Works alongside the Head of College
- Point of contact for students aside from form tutor
- Deals with: Pastoral (emotional) issues; attendance concerns; behaviour problems
- Promoting rewards for attendance, credits, positive contributions etc.

# Head of College



- Oversees all the form groups within the College
- Highest authority within the pastoral structure before senior leadership
- Leads on College activities & competitions to develop College ethos
- Monitors academic progress through year
- Intervenes with behaviour issues if it has gone beyond the Form Tutor and Pastoral Head

# Mental Health & well-being support



- 2 staff trained as Mental Health "first aiders"

Mrs Chilver



Mrs Bulpitt



- Students trained as Mental Health peer mentors
- Lunchtime support groups
- Focus groups
- Whole staff training and awareness
- Referrals to external support, as required (for example 1:1 mentoring or counselling)

Student well-being and safety  
is really important to us.  
There is always someone you  
can talk to.



# SAFEGUARDING AT NETHER STOWE SCHOOL



**Safeguarding is everyone's responsibility**

**If you have a safeguarding concern about any child in our school, speak to one of the following members of staff:**

## Designated Safeguarding Lead (DSL)

**Miss D Sullivan**  
Senior Assistant Head



## Deputy Designated Safeguarding Leads (DDSLs)



**Mr S Peace**  
Senior Assistant Head



**Mr A Cunningham**  
College Head - Wall



**Mr M Dolman**  
College Head - Beacon



**Mr B Novis**  
College Head - Trent



**Mr R Sault**  
College Head - Chase



**Mrs L Findlay**  
Assistant SENCO



**Mrs S Appleton**  
Pastoral Head - Wall



**Mrs C Blackwell**  
Pastoral Head - Trent



**Mrs J Harrison**  
Pastoral Head - Chase



**Mrs K Bulpitt**  
Post-16 Student Support



**Mrs K Goodman**  
Attendance Officer

**If you cannot locate any of the above, call First Response: 0800 1313 126 or (if the child is in immediate danger) the Police: 999.**

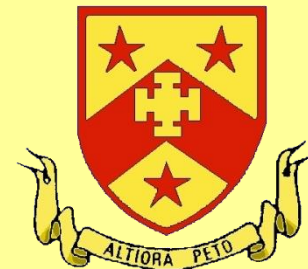
**Concerns must be communicated before the end of the school day.**



# Any Questions?







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We look forward to seeing you  
in September!