

Message from the Head Teacher:

The last two weeks have been very busy with trips, visits and visitors to the academy, not forgetting the year 11 leavers assembly.

It has been wonderful to see so many children taking part in trips and visits again, especially after the disruption that the last few years caused. We've had a trip out to Lincoln Cathedral and to the Big Bang Fair in Birmingham already and are looking forward to more trips going out over the coming weeks. Following both of our recent trips, I was delighted to receive emails and communications from the event holders congratulating our students on their conduct and manners, they truly are a credit to you and to the academy and I am so very proud of them.

The Academy has hosted a number of visitors, these include Baroness Diana Barran, Parliamentary Under Secretary for the School System and we also hosted a number of Head Teachers and Senior leaders from other institutions.

On Wednesday of this week, as part of our INSET day and commitment to our own learning the entire staff body went back to school in schools across the country to explore and learn from colleagues.

Next week we look forward to welcoming our 280 new year 7 students to the academy, holding our fundraising non-uniform day and preparing for year 10 work experience, Sports Day and our Culture and Diversity celebration event.

Attendance Matters:

Our attendance team supports you daily to ensure that your child arrives punctually to school every day. It is our aim to be the beacon school for excellent attendance and be higher than every other secondary school in the area. Our pupils are proud to attend Noel-Baker Academy and this is evidenced by our attendance figures currently being higher than all other state funded secondary schools in the country but we still haven't reached 100% and that's where we need your help. If your child is absent from school we need you to contact us daily to inform us of your child's whereabouts and the reasons for their absence so we know that your child is safe and well and secondly, so the attendance team can support you in getting your child to school. As discussed in previous bulletins, if your child is feeling a little sick or somewhat run down we can look after them, if they decline during the school day we will make contact with you but they need to be in school so their attendance figure doesn't decrease. Any attendance below 95% is a concern and a record of 90% or below means that your child is a PA (Persistent Absentee). A huge well done to all students with an excellent attendance record and many thanks to you all for supporting as always.

#AttendanceMatters #GreatAttendanceGreatOutcomes #AttendanceRewards

Quality of Education:

The Year 10 mock examination period is now underway, and Year 10s have been benefitting from the same 'Pre-Exam Briefing' that we give to students before their 'real' GCSEs. We have been really impressed with the conduct of Year 10 during these sessions and in the exams. Whilst their final examinations may still seem to be a long way away, these mocks are a vital part of the preparation processes. Not only do they help students to learn the rules and routines for the public exams, but they also allow teachers to assess where knowledge is not yet well-understood or well-remembered and therefore ensure that these gaps are filled in the coming months. Congratulations, Year 10, on a great start to this exam season, and the very best of luck.

LEAD:

Form of the fortnight: 8N for best attendance and most rewarded form

Star of the fortnight: 7N Chloe C

EMPOWER:

Form of the fortnight: 8L for best attendance and 7L for most rewarded form

Star of the fortnight: 7L Owen M

ACHIEVE:

Form of the fortnight: 8A for best attendance and 7k most rewarded form

Star of the fortnight: 7K Brandon H

DRIVE:

Form of the fortnight: 7P for best attendance and for most rewarded form

Star of the fortnight: 7P Olivia W

EXCEL:

Year group of the fortnight: Year 10 ACE. Well done to the year 10's for the highest attendance in ACE and the most achievement points for all of the classes in ACE

Star of the fortnight: Jude C. Jude has made a great in ACE since his transition from main school and last week he was the star student for ACE. Well done Jude, keep up the hard work!

Thoughts for the Weeks Ahead and PSHE Topics:

Week commencing 4th July: Drive - 'Never give up on a dream just because of the amount of time it will take to accomplish it. The time will pass anyway' Earl Nightingale, Author

Week commencing 11th July: Drive - 'Sport is a universal language, building more bridges between people than anything else I can think of' Sebastian Coe, Former Track and Field Athlete.

Year 7 will be covering: Addressing myths about puberty

Year 8 will be covering: Factors that affect health and how to protect your health

Year 9 will be covering: Discrimination and equality

Year 10 will be covering: Budgeting and how to keep track of your money

Safeguarding:

Summer holidays – Parents guide to help keep children safe online

School's out for summer!

It's always best to be prepared

During the summer holidays, without the distraction of school, internet usage for many young people can increase all the way up to September. This guide is designed to help parents with a realistic approach to help keep their children safe when using the internet, social media and playing online games. Please click on each image below for more information.

A Parent's Guide to Social Media

A Parent's Guide to Sharing Pictures

A Parent's Guide to Gaming

A Parent's Guide to Live Streaming

A Parent's Guide to Online Grooming

A Parent's Guide to Online Influencers

A Parent's Guide to Fake News

A Parent's Guide to Privacy Settings

Online safety is when young people know who they can tell if they feel upset by something that has happened online.

Parents please contact your school if you would like to attend a parents internet safety workshop or have any concerns.

Schools please [contact us](#) if you would like a SKIPS Safety Net session delivered to your parent groups or staff.

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Working with Home Office 'PREVENT', The Police and Crime Commissioner and Children's Safeguarding Partnerships to help keep children safe online.

Developed in partnership with

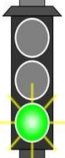


Keeping children safe online

www.skipssafetynet.org

Behaviour and Uniform:


THE BEST TIME TO BUY and when to avoid



APRIL, MAY, JUNE The best time to buy

We strongly recommend that you buy your school uniform early and in advance of the school summer holidays. Buy with room for growth in mind and rest assured that we can exchange sizes for you up to when school starts in September—T's & C's apply.


Queues are minimal and **Stock Availability is excellent**



JULY - before the school holidays start and before 31st July.

July is a busier month however we recommend that you purchase school uniform **before** the school holidays start. Buy with room for growth in mind and rest assured that we can exchange sizes for you up to when school starts in September—T's & C's apply.

Queues are slightly longer and **Stock Availability is very good**



AUGUST AND BEGINNING OF SEPTEMBER - please do not leave it too late. **DO NOT RISK** uniform selling out.

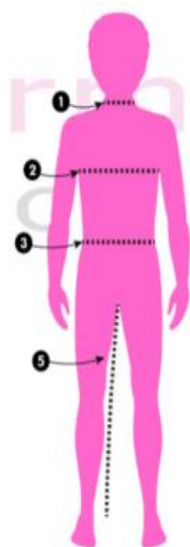
August & September are extremely busy months especially leading up to the start of the new school year. Sizes can sell out very fast so do not risk not being able to get your uniform in time. PLEASE AVOID shopping in the last 2 weeks of the school holidays, queues will be long.

Queues are in excess of 3 hours and **Stock Availability is limited**. Back orders placed after 4th August 2022 are **not guaranteed** to arrive for the start of the new school term.

BE SMART, BE PREPARED AND SHOP EARLY

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1 COLLAR

Measure around the base of the neck, where the collar sits

2 CHEST

Place the tape close under the arm
Measure the chest at the fullest part

3 WAIST

Measure around the natural waistline

4 HIPS

Measure around the bottom, at the fullest part

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5 INSIDE LEG

Measure from the crotch to the hem of the trousers

6 SKIRT LENGTH

For skirt length measure from waist to knee

