



Transition to Scalby - Key Dates and FAQ

Please note that these are provisional plans and are reliant upon government approval and relaxing of lockdown measures. Any changes to this plan will be communicated to your child's Primary School.

Key dates

New Term Commences – Tuesday 7th September.

Students should arrive at school before 8.20am and should go straight to the main school hall where they will receive information about their first day.

Frequently Asked Questions

Getting Organised

Q. Where can I buy uniform?

The schools preferred uniform stockist is

Rumours,
17 Victoria Rd,
Scarborough,
North Yorkshire,
YO11 1SB
Tel: 01723 501989

Further Information can be found in the dress and appearance policy at:

<http://www.scalbyschool.org.uk/parents/uniform-and-pe-kit/>

Q. Where should my child go on their first day?

When students arrive on the introduction day, and on their first day in September, they should go straight to the main hall. Staff and students will be on hand to point students in the right direction.

Q. Will my child get lost? How will they be supported in the first few weeks?

In September, new Year 7 students will be paired up with a team of Year 8 'buddies' to assist with their transition to Scalby. These students will be on hand for the first two weeks, at lesson changeovers and lunchtimes to help Yr7 students move between lessons easily.

Year 7 students also have a settling in period. This means that if they forget their books, are late for lessons due to confusion or getting lost, or have missing equipment they will not receive sanctions. They will still however receive consequences if they misbehave.



Q. Can my son/daughter bring their mobile phone to school?

Students can bring mobile phones onto the school site, however they must be turned off and placed at the bottom of the student's school bag. We operate a zero-tolerance system on mobile phones. If a mobile phone is taken out of the bag at any time on the school site, it will be confiscated by a member of staff and locked in the school safe and will need to be collected by the student's parent/carer.

Q. What equipment will my son / daughter need and where can I buy it from?

Students should arrive prepared with an appropriate holdall, dictionary, pens, pencils, ruler, crayons or felt tips and a calculator. These items can be found at any high street stationery store.

Q. What do we need to do about school transport?

Information on school transport and entitlement to paid travel permits can be found at:

<http://www.northyorks.gov.uk/article/23550/School---transport>

How do we Support your Child?

Q. My child is nervous about the move up to secondary school.

We can arrange extra transition meetings for students and parents who are particularly anxious or nervous about the move up to secondary school. This can be arranged by contacting Scalby School directly and speaking to Mrs Colley or Mr Cook, Head of Year 7, or Mrs Davey, SEN Manager. Their contact details can be found on the school website.

Q. Who can my son / daughter speak to if they are worried or upset?

If your son / daughter has any worries or concerns they should speak immediately to either the Year 8 buddies they have been paired up with, Mr Cook or their mentor who they will have contact with for 20 minutes each day.

Your child will have a mentor who they see every single day. This will be a point of contact for them and mentors are trained to help with the transition into Scalby.

Q. Will my child get bullied at secondary school?

Every effort is made to ensure that every child enjoys being a student at Scalby School. The school has adopted a range of strategies to prevent and reduce bullying, to raise awareness of bullying and to support victims and those displaying bullying behaviour. Where isolated incidents of bullying occur they are dealt with swiftly and in line with the Scalby School anti-bullying policy which can be found at:

<http://www.scalbyschool.org.uk/policies/default.aspx>

Q. Who do I need to speak with to pass on any medical concerns about my son or daughter?

We would ask that any relevant medical information about your son / daughter is passed to Scalby School directly by speaking to Mrs Colley, Mr Cook Head of Year 7, or Mrs Davey, SEN Manager.



Student Learning

Q. How will students be set for lessons?

At Scalby students will be set from Year 7. Setting decisions will be based on information received from primary schools and our own independent baseline assessments. All setting is reviewed regularly and students can be moved between sets to ensure their learning needs are being met with the correct level of challenge. This will ensure students are not undertaking work that is either too easy or too hard for them.

Q. My child worries about the sanctions they could receive at secondary school.

We have high expectations of all our students. Our behaviour policies and practices promote an environment conducive to learning, ensuring high achievement for all young people, irrespective of their differing needs. There are a number of expectations which we place on all our learners. These expectations will be made clear to new Year 7 students during the first week induction assemblies and mentor time sessions. Further information with regards to these expectations can be found in our behaviour policy which is available at: <http://www.scalbyschool.org.uk/policies/default.aspx>

Q. How much homework will my child receive? What after school clubs are available?

Your son / daughter is likely to receive, on average, one hour of homework each night. Students will be provided with clear instructions from staff as to what is expected from each piece of homework and will also receive a realistic timeframe to complete the homework in. Students will be expected to record details of homework set, and the deadlines in their school planner.

There are a variety of sporting and extra-curricular activities for your child to take part in at Scalby School. A list of after school activities is provided to students at the beginning of each term and is available to be viewed on our school website. After school activities usually run from 2.30pm to 3.30pm. Fixtures run throughout the academic year. We have an excellent extra-curricular programme in place for students to enjoy, we hope that many of the Year 7 students will take full advantage of the diverse clubs on offer and enjoy their hobbies and interests in Scalby outside of the classroom. This is dependent on the relaxation of social distancing rules.