



Rye College

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Dear families,

We are delighted with the way our community has worked with enthusiasm, commitment and positivity this term. Our emphasis on attendance, punctuality and uniform standards this year has had a noticeable impact on the calm, focused and deep learning that takes place in our lessons. We will be continuing this drive in the New Year.

Arrangements for last day of term 2 – Friday 16th December

This is a non-uniform day and we will be finishing at 3:20pm as normal.

Here are some reminders to help you support your child through the next term.

Reducing Absence

Please ensure that your child attends everyday and any medical appointments, where possible, are scheduled for outside the college day. If this is not possible, please try to book them so your child can either leave school early or return after the appointment.

If your child rings you during the college day – please direct them to a member of staff.

We request that you **DO NOT** arrange to collect your child earlier from college because of a phone call from them. Please email the office@ryecollege.co.uk instead and we will contact you if they need to be collected.

If you are struggling to get your child to school, please email

studentattendance@ryecollege.co.uk and we will endeavour to support you.

Please note: we do not authorise holidays taken during term times and all absences should be reported to: studentattendance@ryecollege.co.uk

Uniform

In the coming term, we will be continuing to focus on skirts and jewellery alongside our expectations for correct uniform. Please can we ask that:

- **Skirts** are tailored. This means that skirts made with lycra or stretchy material or skirts that are **overall short** cannot be worn.
- All students have the choice of skirts, trousers or tailored shorts throughout the year.
- **Jewellery** – Please ensure your child does not wear necklaces, bracelets or large hoop/dangling type earrings to school. **ALL** other piercing should either be removed or have a clear plastic retainer in place. Students will be asked to remove piercings that are not clear plastic.
- **Blazers** will be worn in corridors but may be removed with permission in lessons and at breaktimes.



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Please find a reminder about our uniform expectations below
Students must return wearing the **correct Rye College uniform**.

Uniform expectations:

- A Rye College blazer. This is compulsory and **should be worn at all times in and around school**;
- Students can wear either a **white shirt and college tie** or a **BLACK polo shirt**;
 - **Please note students are no longer able to wear the purple polo shirt.**
- Plain black smart trousers;
 - No leggings, jeggings, cargo trousers, jeans or jogging / tracksuit bottoms;
- Plain black or grey **tailored** shorts;
- Classical Rye College jumpers are optional;
 - No hoodies, sweatshirts or other non-school jumpers;
- **Black tailored skirt** worn to their full length;
 - Skirts must not be made of lycra;
- Shoes / trainers must be **plain black with no visible logos**;
 - No boots, heels, logos, stripes or coloured markings;
- **Jewellery is limited to watches and stud earrings for health and safety reasons**
 - Other piercings and jewellery are not permitted and students will be asked to remove them;
- Natural-looking make-up only;
 - No false eye lashes, spray tans, exaggerated eyeliner;
- Hair should be a natural colour;
 - Bright-coloured hair dye is not acceptable;
- For health and safety reasons, nail varnish and nail extensions are not permitted.

Students who arrive at school in incorrect uniform.

- Incorrect shoes – plimsolls will be provided to wear for the day.
- Incorrect shirt/polo shirt – a plain black polo shirt will be provided for the day.
- Incorrect skirt/trousers/shorts – a skirt or trousers will be provided for the day.
- Incorrect jumper – this will be confiscated for the day if worn on site.
- Jewellery - students will be asked to remove.

Please note that, if a student refuses to accept the alternative, you will be contacted and the student will be placed in solo study for the day, unless you are able to bring the correct uniform item to school for your child to wear.

If you require support in purchasing the uniform, please contact office@ryecollege.co.uk.

To support students in their learning, please ensure they have;



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- A pencil case containing at least:
 - Working black, red and blue pens (2 of each);
 - 1 HB pencil and eraser;
 - 1 ruler (at least 15cm long)
 - 1 highlighter;
 - 1 scientific calculator, preferably a Casio FX 83GTX; and,
- A reading book (this can be borrowed from the school library).

Mobile phones - are not allowed in sight on site: they must be switched off.

If you need to contact your child during the day, please call reception **01797 222 545** or email office@ryecollege.co.uk If it is an emergency or a private/sensitive matter, we can arrange for your child/children to come out of lessons to speak to you.

Please do not accept phone calls from your child during the school day – if they ring you, please email office@ryecollege.co.uk and we will go to them.

Earphones and Ear buds - are not allowed in sight on site: we would like students to be enjoying spending time with friends, actively involved in games or reading for pleasure in the library instead of listening to music alone.

Vaping – This is considered to be the same as traditional cigarettes, consequently, any and all vapes are banned from site. If confiscated these items **will not be returned, they will be disposed of.**

General information and useful contacts

For enquires about your child's lessons, please email office@ryecollege.co.uk and mark for the attention of:

- Mr. Harrison -- Years 7, 8 or 9
- Mrs. Starkey -- Years 10 or 11

SEND

SENDCo Mrs. L. Nice.

If you would like to speak to Mrs Nice about your child's additional needs, please email office@ryecollege.co.uk marked for the attention of Mrs. Nice.

The Hub

For support with pastoral concerns regarding your child, please email: studenthub@ryecollege.co.uk

Attendance

For support with attendance concerns regarding your child, please email: studentattendance@ryecollege.co.uk

Homework and timetables

As a parent, you have your own login to ClassCharts. Here you can see your child's homework, behaviour and timetable. If you do not have a login, please email: office@ryecollege.co.uk



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The website

All information can be found on our website <https://www.ryecollege.co.uk/> and we encourage all parents to follow us on Twitter, Instagram and Facebook.

May we take this opportunity to wish you all a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

Yours sincerely,

Miss J. Carpenter
Deputy Headteacher

