

Welcome to Year 7 Parents



Together with our community, we achieve extraordinary things.

Transition Evening



Aim

- Academy expectations
- Advice and information
- Answers any questions
- Complete necessary paperwork



What's important to us at Appleton?



Be
your
Best



3 simple rules:



Academy Expectations



- Strive for excellence, be your best
- Be here, be on time, be prepared, be polite, be positive
- Be the best version of you
- Be proud to be Appleton
- Tell people how good it is to be a student and parent at Appleton



The Appleton Academy official Facebook page



All parents are invited to join our private facebook page where you can see the excellent work happening in the academy and keep up with important dates and events.



Parent feedback

These comments represent what we want all Appleton Academy students to be—it's not all about academic achievement but enabling students to be well rounded young people who are good community citizens, take part in all aspects of Appleton Academy life and, most importantly, enjoy being here.



Thank to All the staff at Appleton from teachers, teaching assistants, heads etc. Had a few downs but hundreds more ups while [REDACTED] has been at the academy (age 3) hope it continues to provide such a good standard of education and support for my other two still there. [REDACTED] has NEVER expressed excitement at leaving and I think he would be happy to stay until he was 40. Thanks to everyone xxx

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On the way to school this morning my daughter fell off her scooter and cut her hands and legs and bumped her head. There was a group of young lads from Appleton on their bikes on the way to school. They all threw their bikes on the floor and raced over to help her and more or less carried her to me all the while asking if she was okay and calming her down. I would like to say a massive thank you to them. They are an absolute credit to themselves, their parents and the school.



That was quite emotional 😭 it would have been amazing to have been able to come and be there with them today .

Thank you so much to all the staff at Appleton the things you do and the time you spend with your students.

Appleton gives so much and I know our daughter has had an exceptional time and had many wonderful experiences with your fantastic Dragon Boat Team and the Duke of Edinburgh awards plus all the after school clubs you put together.

Congratulations to all the year 11's for making it through a tough 4 weeks of GCSES and also well done to the teachers for getting them and themselves through it too 🌟

Bet they were a few tears today and they'll be a few more at prom

Brilliant just brilliant 🌟🌟🌟

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Don't just take our word for it:



- Amazing school. Amazing report. Amazing parents' evening.
- I am happy with the progress my son has made so far and hope with the ongoing support of the school that this continues. Thanks you.
- Overall I find the school to exceed expectations.
- Pleased with _____ at this school, he has really come on with his education and confidence.



Being Your Best



The majority of our pupils behave very well however, if they are not following our expectations, they will receive behaviour points and sanctions but

74% of this year's Year 7 have less than 50 behaviour points for the entire year!

That's less than 2 behaviour points per week!

Your challenge is to *be your best* and beat this!



Academy Expectations: Phones



Government ministers have urged schools to ban phones, this has been backed by OfSTED

Our stance

- Phones – zero tolerance approach to phones and earphones inside the building including break times, in corridors, all lessons and on the way out of the building

Confiscation: no arguments, no discussion – must be collected by parents

Please help us by not calling or messaging your children during the school day- call the office instead.

Academy Expectations: Shoes



Our uniform is *black, lace up* formal shoes for boys and smart *black polishable* shoes for girls. They must be *formal* shoes not leisure shoes, trainers or boots. Please support us by buying the right footwear at the beginning of the year.

Any student wearing inappropriate footwear must change into shoes we provide and will have a supervised lunch. Regardless of whether a parent writes a note.

We decide if they are acceptable – Vans, Converse etc are not formal shoes.

Academy Expectations: Shoes



*** they are trainers if we say they are!**

- Do not buy VANS, converse, Nike or any other brand of leisure wear just because they are black or leather. They are not acceptable.
- Even if Asda tells you they are 'Back to School' shoes, if they are not formal black shoes they are not acceptable.
- It isn't worth trying to challenge this as your child will have to take the consequence of supervised lunch or removal from circulation.
- Medical conditions – you must submit a letter from a consultant explaining why formal shoes cannot be worn.



Academy Expectations: Shoes

✓ Acceptable Footwear



✗ Unacceptable Footwear



Note the heel on formal shoes that doesn't exist on leisure shoes.

Academy Expectations: Uniform



Essential uniform to be worn at all times:

- Charcoal grey trousers *
- White shirt
- Appleton Academy blazer and tie
- Black Shoes

*they must be loose fitting not jeggings, leggings, or tight fitting

Don't waste your money buying a jumper – students still have to wear a blazer.



Academy Expectations



Incorrect uniform is rarely an issue now.

You will hear your children say ‘everyone else is...’

- This will not be the case but please feel free to call and ask the Head of Year.
- Your child will ask you to write a note excusing uniform, please be aware that we might not accept your note. In the case of shoes, we will expect your child to wear shoes provided by the academy.
- Piercings, long nails and nail varnish are not acceptable.



Academy Expectations: Equipment



Essential equipment:

- **Planner**
- Pen
- Pencil
- Ruler
- Bag



Academy Expectations: Planners



Planners are essential equipment as they are the first line of communication between home and school.

We record: attendance, behaviour , Excellence points, independent work, important dates and detentions.

Students have to show their planner on entry to the building in a morning, it is on desks in classrooms and is used for entry into the dining room at lunch.

Please help us by checking the planner every day and signing it at the end of each week.



Attendance



Attendance and Punctuality

- 96%+ attendance is acceptable
- Less than 96% is unacceptable
- 90% or less is Persistent Absence and neglect
- Holidays are not approved and we will issue fines
- Your child must be on time each day or will attend a late detention.



Advice & Information



Who to speak to and how.

- Form tutor
- Assistant Head of Year 7
- Miss Young (Head of Year 7)
- Parental Involvement worker-Emily Chesterman
- Our attendance team-Natalie Hansbury/Louise Mann
- info@appletonacademy.co.uk

We will contact you by phone, text, letter, our website, parentsevening.com.



Online Transition Information Pack...

- Admissions booklet
- Appropriate use of ICT agreement
- Home/Academy agreement

In the online transition information you will find the documents you need to complete online. These will need to be completed by 17th July 2020

Ordering Uniform

- All orders for uniform can be done online. The link to purchase the school uniform is <https://www.emblazon.biz/webshop/schoolwear/rawcliffes-bradford/appleton-academy/>
- The shop will be open from 10am to 4pm Monday to Saturday
- You can make an appointment to avoid queuing: info@academiaschoolwear.com or by calling 07966793869
- Secondary uniform £10 off full uniform purchased

Advice & Information



How?

Currently the office is closed to visitors so please call the main office or

email info@appletonacademy.co.uk or use the link on our website to ask a question



Advice & Information for parents and students



We have a dedicated transition page on our website for parents:

<https://appletonacademy.co.uk/secondary/transition/>

We have a dedicated transition page on our home learning website for students:

<https://appletonrevision.weebly.com/year-6-transition-2020.html>



Aspens Catering

- Aspens is the catering company that we use in school. It provides a range of nutritious and balanced meals. Check out an example menu on our website

World KITCHEN

14th October, 4th November, 25th November, 16th December,
6th January, 27th January, 17th February

Aspens

WEEK TWO

TRADITIONAL
DISH

VEGGIE
DISH

Hot DELI

DELICIOUS
DESSERTS

AUTHENTIC ITALIAN MONDAY

Spinach Calzone

Healthy fresh dough
filled & folded with
spicy tomato sauce
& spinach

**Leek &
Mushroom Risotto**
Classic risotto
served with green
leaf salad

FAMILY FAVOURITE TUESDAY

Beef Lasagne

Beef bolognese with
pasta, cheese with
garlic bread

**Veggie
Lasagne**
Roasted vegetables
with pasta, cheese
with garlic bread

BAKING BRITISH WEDNESDAY

Sausage & Mash

Pork sausage with
mash & seasonal
vegetables

**Quorn Sausage
& Mash**
Quorn Sausage
with mash &
gravy

STREET FOOD THURSDAY

Shawarma

Marinated chicken,
pickled red
cabbage in Khobez
with hummus

**Quorn
Fajita**
Marinated Quorn
with sliced
vegetables, rice & a
wheat wrap

FEST FRIDAY WITH A TWIST

Fish & Chips

Tempura battered
fish fillet with chips
& Katsu sauce

**Tofu Drunken
Noodles**
Udon noodles,
broccoli & sugar
snap peas with
Sriracha chilli sauce

Our Hot Deli Range includes fresh dough pizzas, pasta & noodle pots, filled jacket spuds & panini, hot chicken wraps, wings & dusted wedges. We rotate our range throughout the week.

Tiramisu
Trifle Pot

Winter Fruit
Brulee

Apple & Berry
Crumble

Mexican
Chocolate
Pudding

Giant Ginger
Cookie



In the meantime... We have a challenge!

- From the 1st of July we have set your child a number of subject related activities to do. Send their transition activities and pictures to:
- Twitter: - @appletonacademy
- Through our transition website links
- Put on our online noticeboard (press the pink + to add photos): <https://appletonrevision.weebly.com/year-6-transition-2020.html>
- Your child can start to earn Excellence points already!

If you have a concern



Please tell us and we will work with you to overcome your concern.

We find that if we can speak to you in person, 99.9% of concerns can be addressed by working together.



Advice & Information



The vast majority of our parents are reasonable and calm when they contact the Academy. In these cases staff are more than happy to support you and any concerns are addressed quickly.

A minority shout and argue from the outset which isn't acceptable.

Please remember that our staff are hardworking and committed- they deserve to be treated with respect.

- Start by asking ' She's told me that, what do you know?'
- Understand that we will probably need to look into issues and get back to you. This will take time.
- *Remember what you told your parents when you were at school – don't fall into the trap of believing your child always tells the truth!*



September 2020



Under ordinary circumstance we would expect your child to be here at 8.55am on Monday 7th September. However, due to COVID 19, we are not yet in a position to share plans to open school to all students. When we do know we will write to you with more details. Please keep an eye on the website for updates.

If you need anything over the holiday, please email info@appletonacademy.co.uk

Someone will get back to you although this might not be straight away.

Remember that we are here to help and support both you and your children through the next 5 years.

We look forward to seeing you all in September.

