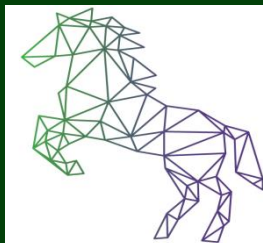




Welcome to Horsforth School

“Opportunity and Achievement for all”



Looking Ahead 2026

An outline of this year's transition
events for year 6 into 7



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Aims of the evening

- Meet key staff
- Collect important information about the transition process
- Ask Questions
- Please be aware that we will not have all the answers at this stage...there will be further opportunities

Thoughts and feelings right now



What does the transition process aim to do?

- Equip students with the knowledge they need to have a successful transition
- Familiarise students with the building and staff who will be working with them
- Reassure students and build confidence
- Allow students to make new connections with peers
- Inform and reassure parents/carers around school policies and procedures so you feel able to coach your child through the next few months



Tonight's launch

May Getting To Know Us sessions primary peers
May- additional information evening for parents of students
with SEND



June - New Intake Information evening for parents/carers
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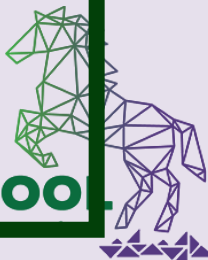
July - Taster Day – All students



Summer Holidays - **July** Summer School



September - First day



'Looking Ahead' What's on for Transition to Horsforth School in 2026-27



Dear Student

We have lots of fun activities planned to help you with the move up to Horsforth School; here is more information about some of them.....

Looking Ahead Evening - Wednesday 11 March

Welcome to Horsforth School 'Looking Ahead' Evening for parents/carers only.

Getting to Know Us - 1 day between Monday 18 - Friday 22 May

You are invited to a 'Getting to know us day' with other students from your Primary School and your Year 6 teacher. You'll have lunch and meet some of our Year 7 staff and students!

Parents' Information Evening - Thursday 25 June: for parents/carers only.

Sorry, we don't have enough room for all of you too!

Taster Day - Friday 3 July

The Taster Day is the one to look out for...this is where you will get to have a tour of the school, meet some of your new classmates and do some actual lessons with Horsforth teachers!

Summer School (3 days)

Wednesday 22 July, Thursday 23 July & Friday 24 July
Summer school is at Horsforth School. You will get information and application forms from your Primary School or you can contact Horsforth Children's Services.

Summer Project

You will be given a 'summer project' to complete
The best projects will receive a prize in September!

3 September - Your first day at Horsforth School! You will arrive between 8-8.15am and go straight to the hall for an assembly

Activity Day

In October, you will go on an activity day to Herd Farm.

You get to do lots of fun activities to help you make new friends!

Settling In Evening

There will be a 'Settling In' evening in the Autumn term and a Parents' Evening later in the year.

We look forward to meeting you! From The Year 7 Team

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Additional information for parents of children with **SEND**

21 May 5pm

Meet the
SENDco

Hear about
our SEND
provision

Pass on
information
about your
child

Invite **ONLY** via primary school



Getting to know us sessions

One day during 18-22 May

Tour

Information
talk

Q and A
with Year 7

Free lunch

Look at
planners

Complete
activities



New Intake Evening- Parents and Carers only

Thursday 25 June 6pm

Pastoral support

Curriculum and extra curricular activities

Expectations

Day to day information

Uniform, HCS and food

Safeguarding advice and info



New Intake Day

Friday 3 July (all day)

Tour of the
school

Meet the form
group

Meet the
form tutor

Sample taster
lessons

Spend time in
the y7 social
space

Meet teaching
staff



Summer School

22-24th July 9-3

Meet new
friends

Meet key staff-
run by
Horsforth staff

Fun activities

Organised and run by Horsforth Children's
services-see Vicki in the foyer

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First day in September and after that....

Peer mentors/
ambassadors

Form tutor-
first contact

SEND
team/SENDco

All staff

Year
coordinator
and PBO

Subject
teachers

Pastoral and
Behaviour
support team

Leadership
Link for Y7

Careers team



Tutor Time schedule

- Daily check ins
- Equipment and homework support
- Mentoring
- Reading curriculum
- Weekly assembly
- Projects –Time capsule

Herd Farm trip October

Meet new friends

Interact with staff and FTs

Fun activities and team building



Settling In evening October





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Languages at Horsforth

- Students study 1 language for 6 hours a fortnight in Year 7 onwards.
- Students can either:
 - Apply to study Mandarin Chinese (limited places)
 - Study French
 - Study Spanish
 - We will allocate language choices
 - We consider strong preferences for French vs. Spanish.



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Mandarin
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Why Mandarin?

- The most widely spoken language in the world (1.1 billion vs. 987 million English).
- Fastest growing language in the world.
- The main language of the world's second largest (and growing) economy.
- Preparation for the global workplace.
- Fascinating culturally and historically.
- **The language that will get your CV or application to the top of the pile.**



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What is it?

- An opportunity to learn Mandarin Chinese, eventually to GCSE level and above.
- A programme of focussed study and support.
- A chance to learn about Chinese culture first hand in the Yr9 China study trip.
- An opportunity only two other schools in Yorkshire offer.

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Mandarin Excellence Programme

- Two qualified Mandarin teachers.
- We have access to support, training and resources.
- Trips and events.
- Mandarin for 3 hours a week.
- Additional homework.

Is it for me?

- Need strong literacy levels in English.
- You will need to be academically able and are willing to work hard.
- Commit to study it to GCSE.



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China trip

44 pupils went to Hangzhou (2024)
31 pupils went to Shanghai (2025)
30 pupils are going to Beijing (2026)



Excellent GCSE Results

	Whole School 2024/25	National 2024/25	Subject 2024/25
Grade 9s	11%	5%	35%
Grade 7+	39%	22%	81%
Grade 5+	71%	52%	100%



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What should I do next?

- Look at some of the **links** in the letter. This will be emailed to you tomorrow.
- Sign up to express your interest (**link** on the form).
- Come along to a taster lesson (but we will need firm interest before these).
- Speak to us with any questions tonight. Places are limited.



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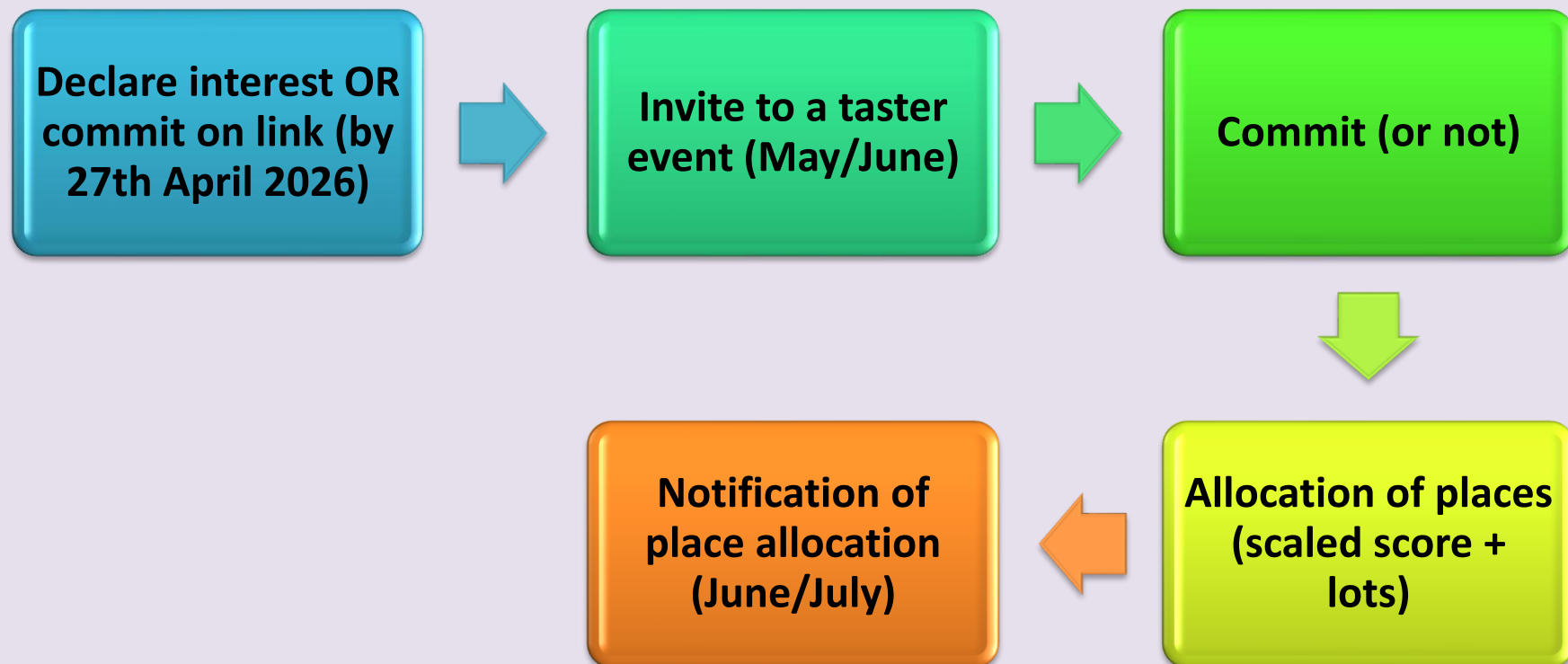
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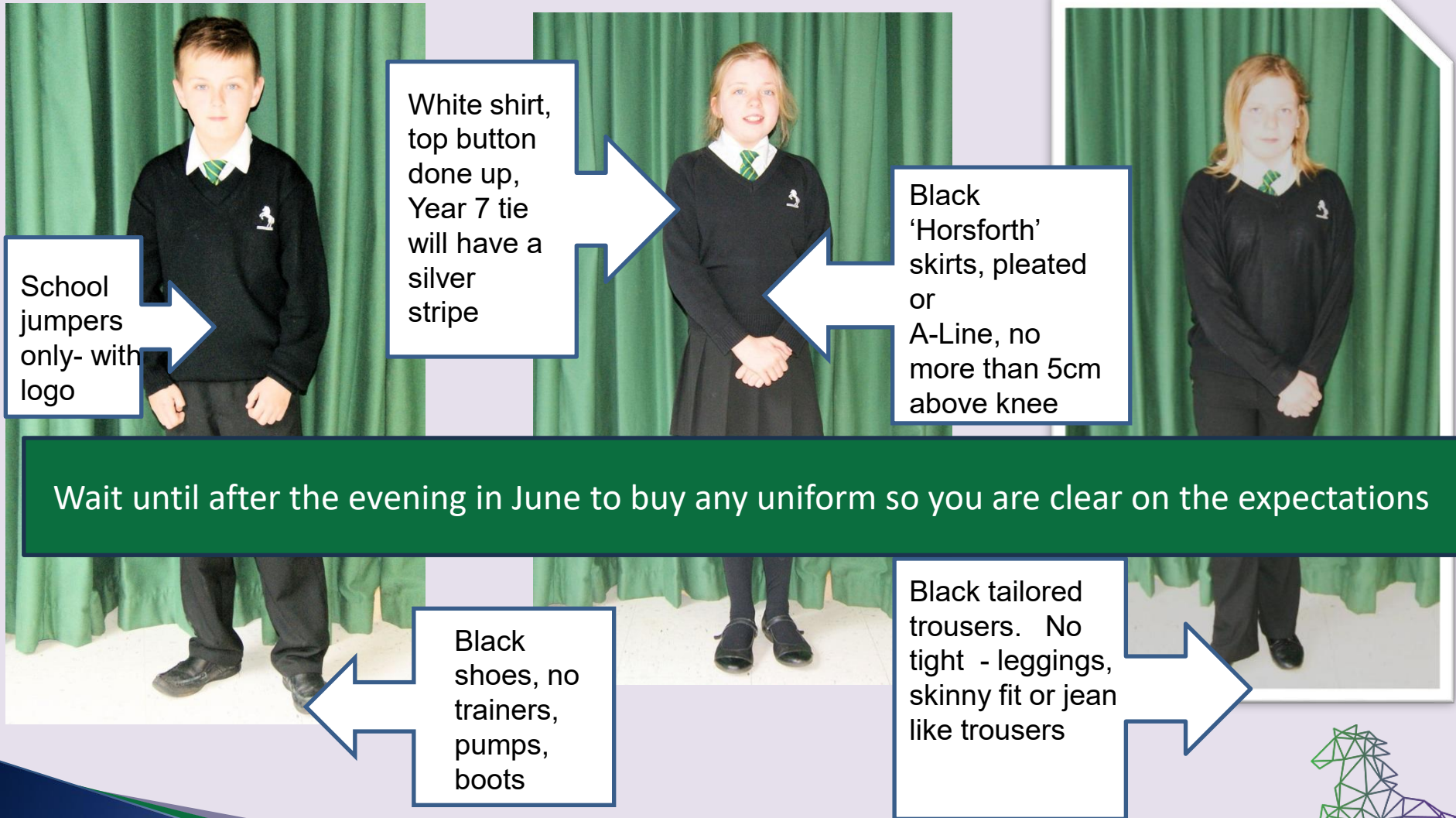


Uniform

Uniform Suppliers:

PC Sports- Yeadon
Whittakers- Farsley

UNIFORM



Questions/queries

Please ensure you have collected a 'Key Dates' sheet for your child

Not yet accepted your place?

Please complete the acceptance form on our school website homepage



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Year 7 September 2025 Admissions

To accept the place you have been offered at Horsforth School, [please complete our online acceptance form](#)

or contact our Admissions Team by email admissions@horsforthschool.org

Alternatively, if you have difficulties using the link, you can ring school on 0113 2265454 or email at admissions@horsforthschool.org

Any other questions - please save these for the June evening, or contact us at info@horsforthschool.org FAO Y6 Transition team

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For student adventures and useful information



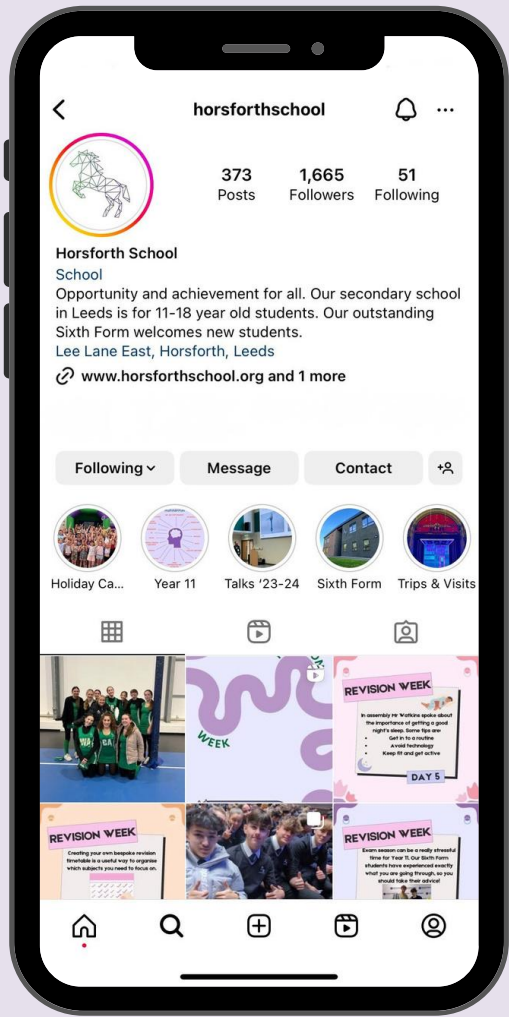
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Information moving forwards

- By email-the one you supplied admissions with
- On the website following events if you are not able to attend
- Via the primary school



Thank you