



# HSD Toolkit

Helping you prepare for your first days in  
Form 2



## Our Core Values

“We are a community which inspires, empowers and supports our young people to realise their potential through our creative, vibrant, challenging and aspirational intergrated Curriculum”

## Who's Who

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# A warm welcome awaits...

Starting a senior school is exciting but it is only natural to feel a little anxious too. We aim to make the transition as smooth as possible and the following pages should provide you with all the information you need to prepare for your first days and answer a few questions about school life in Senior Years.

We can help you to realise your own personal goals whilst working hard and having fun along the way, take on new challenges, form life-long friendships and be inspired by all that our School has to offer.

Like the six iconic pillars of the Main Building our Core Values stand for tradition, rigor, creativity and excellence and they allow us to continue to develop exceptional young people ready to go out and change the world for the better.

As you progress through Senior Years you will find the Core Values of Honesty, Kindness, Creativity, Resilience, Confidence and Respectfulness interwoven into everything that you do across the school.

We are looking forward to working with you over your Senior School years, watching you develop and grow into confident young people ready to embrace the opportunities of life beyond school.





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# *There are many ways to ensure a smooth transition....*

## Joining for the start of the year in August or during the school year?

We have new pupils joining throughout the year as well as for the start of the new school year in August. A Taster Day is a great way to get a good feel for the school so please let us know if you would like to join us for a day in class ahead of your start date. If you are joining directly from overseas you might like to have a virtual chat with some of your new classmates instead.

## Getting to know you and your family

As well as chatting with our Admissions Team you may well have had a chat with members of our Senior Leadership Team or Heads of Department about your subject choices over recent months.

Before you join we will send you details of your Pastoral Care & Support Teacher and where possible they will make contact with you and your family ahead of your first day either by email, phone or on a Zoom call.

## Pastoral Care & Support (PCS)

Before you join we will send you details of your Pastoral Care & Support Teacher and where possible they will make contact with you and your family ahead of your first day.

Once you join the school you will usually see your PCS Teacher at least once a week in a timetabled class and they are also available at lunchtimes and can be contacted by email. You also have a Group Tutor who you will see for registration for 15 minutes every morning. They will help you settle onto the school and can answer any questions you have about day-to-day life.

If you have any other questions about what to do or just want to chat to someone about how things are going in your new classes please speak to or email your PCS Teacher. Your parents can also email your PCS teacher too.



## Support for Learning

If you have been receiving support for learning at your current school please make sure that we are aware so that we can put in place any support that may be necessary ahead of your first day.

# *Being prepared is the key to being ready for your first day....*

## What to bring

On your first day please come wearing your school uniform and bring your iPad, some paper, pens, pencils and some A4 folders. You can find full details of all stationery and books at the end of this booklet.

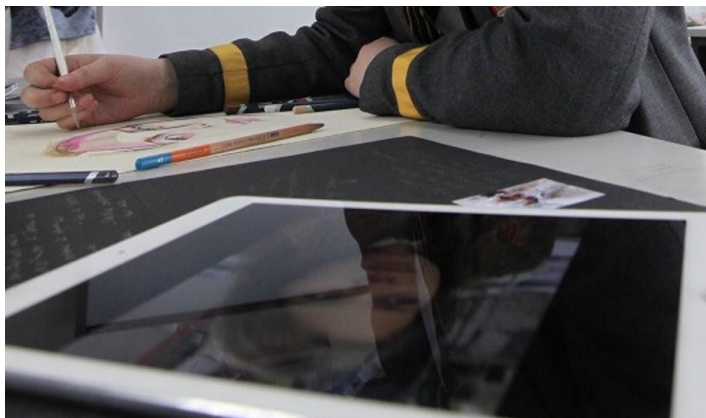
For lunch you have a choice between school lunches and packed lunches. Your parents may have already selected school lunches for the term but if not you can buy your lunch at the dining hall using cash, debit and pre-paid cards. e.g. 'Go Henry'. If you have chosen to bring a packed lunch please do not bring nuts to school as we have a number of staff and young people with allergies.

If you have PE or Games on your first day we will let you know in advance to bring your PE kit (it is always handy to include indoor and outdoor sports trainers on these days).

## iPad Preparation

You can find the minimum iPad specifications at the end of this booklet together with a list of all Apps that you will need to download to your iPad. If you can, please try to have these downloaded ahead of your first day.

On your first day we will help you to set up your email account on your iPad.



## Where to go on arrival

If you have not been given prior orientation to locate your first class or you are unsure where to go please go to the School Office behind the Pillars and the lovely ladies at Reception will be able to help you. If you are joining us on the first day of the new school year there will be Senior Prefects, Form 6 Mentors and staff waiting at the Pillars to guide you.

### Senior School Day

Warning Bell	8.50am
First Lesson	8.55am
Day Ends	(Mon-Thur) 3.55pm
	(Fri only) 3.30pm



## A typical day and week

The school day is divided into 8 periods with a 20 minute morning break and lunch from 12.50pm to 1.50pm (except Fridays 12.50pm to 1.30pm to allow for an early finish). You can sign up for a wide variety of co-curricular activities that take place before school, at lunchtimes and after school.

Across the week you will have around 20 timetabled subjects including PE and Games, PSHE and Support for Learning if required (a copy of the subjects on offer each year can be found on Firefly). One day per week you will also have Assembly which will be held in Trinity Hall.

## Firefly

You will need to bring your iPad to school every day along with a set of headphones as many class resources are stored on Firefly (our Virtual Learning Platform). Some pupils find a Bluetooth keyboard helpful too. Your iPad is used to store your schoolwork, send homework and feedback from your teachers will be sent via Firefly. Your Parents will also have access to certain aspects of this platform. Virtual classes will usually be arranged via Teams.

## Online Learning

There may be extenuating circumstances where you are feeling well but unable to attend school e.g. a broken leg. On these rare occasions, Firefly enables you to access learning resources and you may be able to continue to access lessons live on Teams. Where possible you will follow the usual timetable with the same curricular subjects via live lessons on Teams. Many co-curricular activities such as music lessons, ensembles, debating and PE have been able to continue during periods of online learning.

Importantly, your Guidance Teacher will continue with weekly timetabled classes and will be there to offer support where necessary as well as advice on mental health and wellbeing.



## The Library

There are a wide variety of books, periodicals, magazines and audio books available within the Library. We also have access to over 30,000 resources via our online catalogue and E-books are available for loan. The librarians can help you source material for projects and research as well as the Careers Library. The Library is a great place to go first thing, at lunchtimes or after-school if you are looking for a quiet place to study. The Library is open from 8.30am until 5.00pm (except Fridays 8.30am to 4.30pm).



# Be all you can be... try new things



## PE and Games

Director of Sport - Mr Ewan Jack

PE and Games lessons take place at our Mayfield Sports Complex on the Arbroath Road, which includes our all-weather pitches across the road at Dalnacraig

If you are joining at the start of the school year in August, you will require rugby kit or hockey kit so please bear this in mind when purchasing sports kit as you will not need everything on the list in the beginning.

All pupils will be bussed up to Mayfield (and back) for their PE but if this takes place in the last 3 periods of the school day you will be dismissed from Mayfield unless you are scheduled to travel on one of our dedicated buses to outlying areas.



## Before and After-School Co-curricular Sport

Practices are offered for a variety of sports before school, at lunchtime and after school. It is hoped as many pupils as possible will take part in co-curricular sport and play in fixtures for the school team both midweek and on Saturday mornings.



Pupils joining the strength and conditioning classes before school will be bussed down to the main campus in time for the start of the school day. If you have after-school sport such as hockey or rugby training, you will be



bussed up to Mayfield at the end of the school day and dismissed from there.

Sports Fixtures and further details of training can be found on Firefly.

Head of Hockey – Mrs Linda Anderson

Head of Rugby – Mr Phil Godman



## Co-curricular Activities

Clubs begin a few weeks into the first term and you will be able to sign up for these at the 'fair' in early September. There are usually around 100 clubs available at any one time so do try to join one or two as they are a great way to form new friendships.



# Hit the 'High' notes!

## Co-Curricular Music

Director of Music – Dr Lionel Steuart-Fotheringham

Everyone is welcome to participate whether music lessons are taken in school or not. If you would like to organise individual music instruction for your child, forms are available from the Music Department.

Performance Platform is run every Thursday afternoon allowing children to practice their instruments on the stage in Trinity Hall in front of a small audience or virtually on Teams. This is a great way to beat stage fright.

Musical concerts are held regularly throughout the year so be sure to bring along family and friends.



"I've got Choir on a Monday lunchtime, Animation club on a Tuesday, Drama rehearsals on a Wednesday, Pipe band practice at Thursday lunchtimes and CCF after school on Fridays"

## School Trips

School trips are listed on Firefly. Trips are not compulsory but they provide an opportunity to keep the learning process fresh, exciting and relevant. They can be local, national and sometimes international. Residential trip examples include: the John Muir Award to Cana, a trip to watch Wimbledon, Classics trip to Greece or Italy, CCF camps, Duke of Edinburgh excursions, Geography trip to England and Rugby/Hockey tours.



## Celebrating Success

We are always keen to hear about any achievements both in school and in the wider community and highlight your successes on our Facebook pages, in our newsletters and annual Review magazine. In School you may be awarded Merit and House points and Certificates of Commendation are published in June. Other specific prizes are awarded at our annual Prizegiving Ceremony in June.

Day to day information

## Part of the School Community



### House system

All pupils are allocated a House

Airlie- red  
Aystree- blue  
Lindores- gold  
Wallace- white

Being part of a House will allow you to quickly form friendships within your year group and this friendship group will grow as you join in sporting, debating and other co-curricular events to gain points for your House.

### Parents' Association and Year Group Parent Reps

When you join HSD you become part of the wider 'High School Family' and your Parents automatically become a member of the School Parents' Association too. As well as acting as another form of liaison between your parents and your School it also arranges social events to bring the school community together so please do encourage your family to come along to any events and lend your support where you can.

Your Parents can also contact your nominated Year Group Parent Rep to add their details to the Parent Contact list to ensure they are kept informed of any of these events.



### Social Events

Throughout the year there are a wide range of events for you and your family to take part in. Here are some examples:

Spring Concert  
Autumn Concert  
Remembrance  
Carol Service  
School Musical  
Sports Day

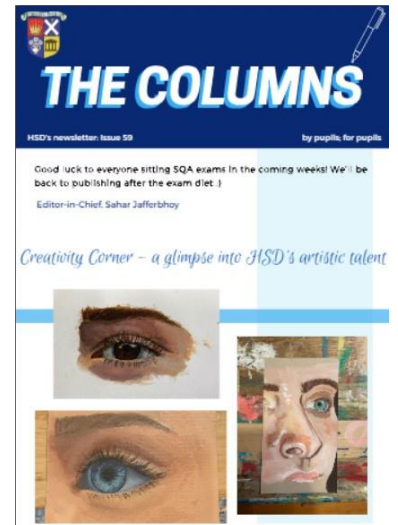


# Communication is key

## Pupil Communication

Any important messages or updates will be shared with you during Group Tutor time or Assembly. The Daily Bulletin is available on Firefly and you should also check your school emails each day. Please make sure that you read your messages and that you reply to them promptly so that your teachers know that you have read and understood the message.

Communication is a two-way process and we want to hear your views to ensure we are meeting your needs. For this reason there are Pupil Voice group to help you share your thoughts with us and *The Columns* pupil-led newsletter which is distributed across the school community. Each year we also publish the pupil-led Review Magazine which covers stories and events across the school year so please ask your Guidance teacher if you are not sure how to get involved with these groups.



## Parent Communication

Mrs Hudson (our Rector) and other Senior members of staff will regularly update your parents on key information via our newsletters. Where there is important information directly related to your specific year group then we will email your parents directly. Please add [\\*@highschoolofdundee.org.uk](mailto:*@highschoolofdundee.org.uk) to your email address book. This should prevent emails from school going to your junk mail.

We also send end of term reports about how well you are doing and share information about your progress during the parent/teacher interviews too. The information we share with your parents is there to help you reach your true potential.

## We want to hear your views

As well as Pupil Voice we will regularly ask you and your parents for feedback about your High School journey. Please spare a few minutes to complete these surveys so we can best meet your needs.



## *iPad requirements*

You will need to bring your iPad to school every day, fully charged and you may be asked to bring along a set of headphones and a stylus too. Your iPad will need to meet our minimum requirements (these are annually reviewed and available on Firefly) and there should be a realistic expectation that there will need to be a device refresh as devices age and technology progresses.

### **Recommended Specification**

iPad (9th generation, 10.2" 2021)

64G

iOS 15

A high-quality case, which covers the screen and protects all four corners, and allows for the iPad to be supported at an angle for typing.

Devices with greater amounts of storage are not required, but may be desirable.

An Apple Pencil is also not compulsory but is proving to be an invaluable tool for the children to manipulate documents, create artwork and take notes.

### **Notes**

The useful life of a lower specification device will be shorter than that of the recommended system, as there are increasing demands on the power and storage of the iPad in class activities. While every effort will be made to keep the requirements stable each year, the school will also want to take advantage of advances in technology.

It is therefore advised that an iPad older than an iPad (8th Generation) is only used if the pupil already owns the device.

An iPad mini is not recommended due to the small screen size. It is suggested that if this is under consideration, a hands-on evaluation is made of both the mini and the full-size iPad.

The use of an iPad Pro or an iPad Air is not required but again maybe desirable.

Any model of iPhone or iPod Touch are not suitable devices.

Other tablet devices, mobile phones, or laptops are not suitable devices.

While more expensive, a high-quality case, including so-called rugged cases, might be desirable and some insurers will offer a reduction where these are used. All insurers insist on appropriate level of protection from a case and may specify particular types that are acceptable.



# Firefly - your virtual learning platform

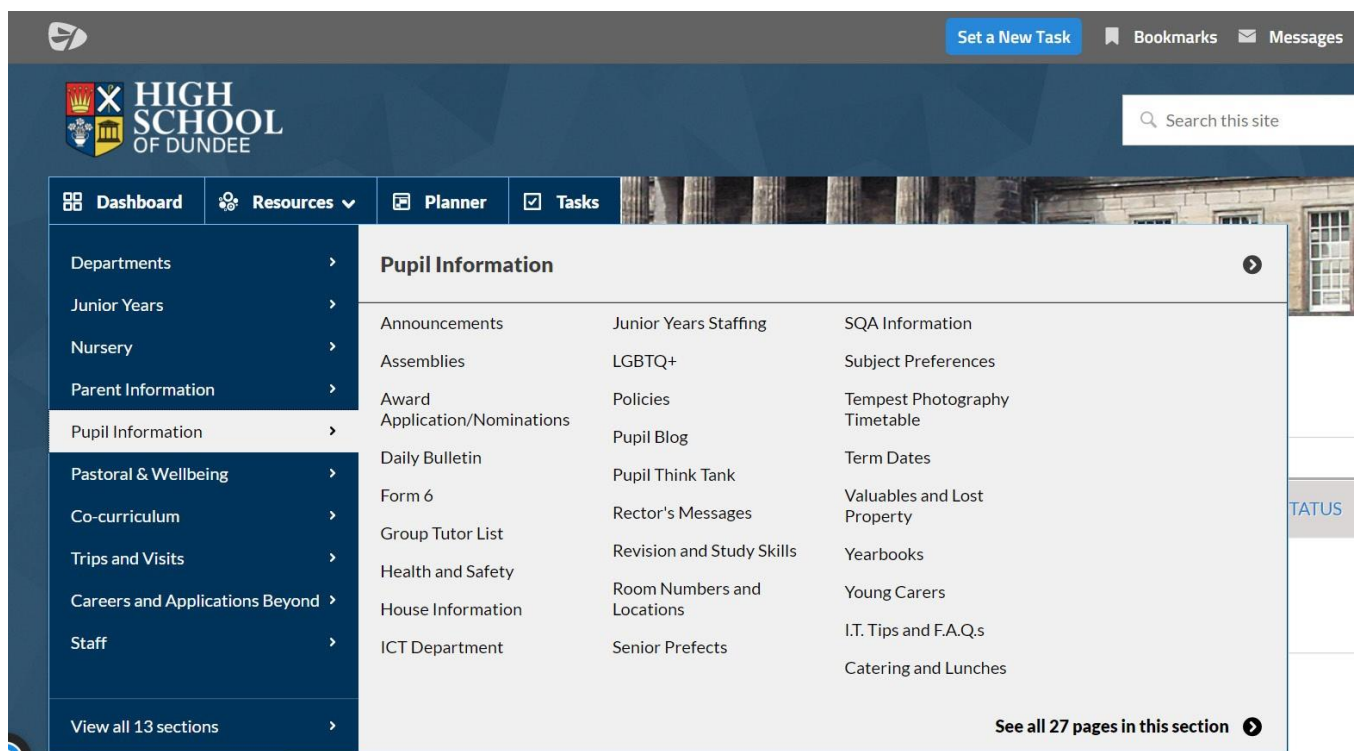
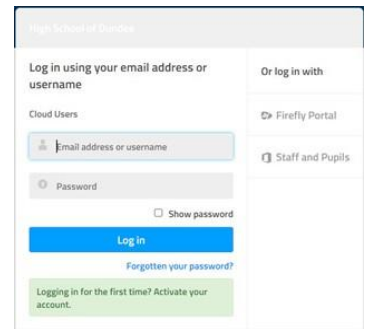
Firefly is our Virtual Learning Environment which you will access on your iPad. You will be able to see your timetable, access resources related to all subjects, collect tasks set by your teachers, send homework, receive feedback and generally monitor your progress across all areas of your learning. Your Parents will also be able to see elements of your Profile on Firefly too so that they can gain a better understanding of how you are doing ahead of your Parent/Teacher evenings.

## Firefly Login

You and your parents will have access to Firefly from the day you start. Here is some initial set-up information:

**New Pupils** - you will be given a school email account which will incorporate part of your name followed by @highschoolofdundee.org.uk. You will need to think of a pupil password that has to be a minimum of 10 characters and must contain a capital letter and a number or symbol (i.e. !). For pupils to set up Firefly navigate to <https://hsd.fireflycloud.net> Click the green box to Activate your account, **DO NOT USE Office 365 SSO**.

**New Parents** - follow the wizard using your personal email address that the school has been emailing you on (you will receive an email to your personal inbox). Follow the instructions in the email. On your iPad and/or mobile phone – go to the App Store and download Firefly for Parents app, use your personal email address and newly created password. If you are asked for a code enter HSD. If you are asked to allow notifications, tap Allow. Please **DO NOT USE Office 365 SSO**. In your device Settings for Firefly app → Notifications



# App & ebook Requirements (General Purpose)

The following apps will be used by all pupils across the curriculum

<a href="#">Book Creator for iPad</a>	£4.99		<a href="#">Notes</a>	Free
<a href="#">Adobe Acrobat Reader</a>	Free		Office 365 Apps	
<a href="#">Educreations</a>	Free		<a href="#">Word</a>	Free
<a href="#">Firefly</a>	Free		<a href="#">Excel</a>	Free
<a href="#">iBooks</a>	Free		<a href="#">OneDrive</a>	Free
<a href="#">iMovie</a>	Free		<a href="#">One Note</a>	Free
<a href="#">PCalc Lite</a>	Free		<a href="#">Outlook</a>	Free
<a href="#">Quizlet</a>	Free		<a href="#">Powerpoint</a>	Free
<a href="#">Socrative Student</a>	Free		<a href="#">Teams</a>	Free
<a href="#">PDFViewer</a>	Free			

## Subject Specific Apps & eBooks

The following apps will be required only by pupils in specific subjects and year groups

Subject	App	L6	L7	F1	F2	F3	F4	H/AH	Price
Art & Design	<a href="#">Pinterest</a>				Y	Y	Y	Y	Free
	<a href="#">Procreate</a>			Y	Y				£8.99
Chemistry	<a href="#">iTunesU</a>							Y	Free
Drama	<a href="#">50 Years of the National Theatre</a>				Y	Y	Y	Y	Free
French, German, Spanish (requires school provided login to use)	<a href="#">Linguascope Beginners</a>			Y	Y				Free
Geography	<a href="#">Google Earth</a>			Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Free
Junior Years	<a href="#">iBrainstorm</a>		Y						Free
	<a href="#">Popplet</a>	Y							£4.99
	Sumdog	Y	Y						Free
	<a href="#">School Sketches</a>	Y	Y						Free
Learning Skills	<a href="#">Inspiration Maps</a>					Y	Y		£9.99
Library	<a href="#">ePlatform by Wheeler</a>								Free
Mathematics	<a href="#">Desmos Graphing Calculator</a>					Y	Y	Y	Free
Music	<a href="#">GarageBand</a>				Y				Free
Physics	<a href="#">Decibel 10th</a>				Y	Y	Y		Free
	<a href="#">iNSIGHT Color Mixing</a>					Y	Y		Free
	<a href="#">Sound Uncovered</a>				Y	Y	Y		Free
Technological Studies, Graph Comm, Engineering Science	<a href="#">Background Eraser Free</a>			Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Free



# FAQs - some frequently asked questions

## What is the best way to contact us?

<b>School Office</b>  absence@ enquiries@	Absence (both immediate and planned) Appointments, e.g. doctor/dentist Lost Property Any matters relating to Firefly or SchoolCloud, including requesting Parents' Evening appointments after the system has closed <b>General enquiries</b>
<b>Finance Office</b> finance@	All matters relating to payment of fees, trips, etc. <i>Open from 9am to 4pm daily.</i>
<b>Music Administrator</b> musicadmin@	All matters relating to individual Music lessons, concerts, etc.
<b>Guidance Teacher</b>	All pastoral and academic matters
<b>Medical Room</b> swebb@	All medical matters, e.g. medication forms

## What do I do if I am late for School?

As your class teachers take a register at the start of each lesson which is automatically sent to the School Office, you will need to sign in at the School Office before joining your class so they can amend your record.

## What do I do if I feel unwell?

If you feel unwell before school your Parents will need to contact the School Office on 01382 202921 or email [absence@highschoolofdundee.org.uk](mailto:absence@highschoolofdundee.org.uk). If you feel unwell during school you should let your teacher know and ask to go to the Nurse in the Medical Centre. Many of our teachers are also first aid trained. If you need to go home arrangements will be made via the School Office. You should not leave school without permission.

## I have a health concern, illness or injury or need to take medication

Please ask your parents to complete our medication forms to keep us up to date about any health concerns, illness or injuries as well as any changes to your health and medication records. The forms can be found on Firefly.

## I have an appointment during the school day

Please ask your parents to notify the School Office in advance of any appointment as you will also need to sign out at the School Office so they will need to have prior notice of your appointment.

## What happens if the School has to close or there is bad weather affecting bus timings?

In the event of unforeseen circumstances a clarion call (text message alert) will be sent to your Parents.

## Do you have dedicated buses from outlying areas like St Andrews, Forfar, Blairgowrie, Perth, Glenrothes?

Yes, you can find timetables and routes on our website [here](#)

## Can I use my mobile phone in School?

No, your phone must be switched off in class.

## Do you have School Rules?

When you join our school you agree to abide by the School Rules and will be asked to sign a Code of Conduct prior to entry. The rules are there to keep you and your classmates safe and we talk about the rules and expectations in PSHE and Tutor time. Please arrive each day on time, wearing the full school uniform and remember that while you are travelling to and from School, and around the City at lunchtimes, you are representing the School and its reputation. Wear your uniform with pride and be courteous to others in class, around the School and the wider community.

## Booklist - Form 2

The following departments require no textbook to be purchased at this level.  
Materials/resources will be accessible via iPad or supplied by the department:

Art & Design	Health & Food Technology	Music
Biology	History	Physics
Computing Science	Learning Skills	RMPS
Drama	Mathematics	Technological Studies
Chemistry		

The departments listed below have recommended the following textbooks for their Form 2 course, additional materials may be supplied/purchased within the departments:

Subject	Title	ISBN	Hyperlinks	
French	Allez 1*	9780198395041	<a href="#">Amazon</a>	<a href="#">Waterstones</a>
Geography	Philips Modern School Atlas* suggested item, not essential	9781849074933	<a href="#">Amazon</a>	<a href="#">Waterstones</a>
German	Zoom Deutsch 1*	9780199127702	<a href="#">Amazon</a>	<a href="#">Waterstones</a>
Latin	Cambridge Latin Course Book 1*	9780521635431	<a href="#">Amazon</a>	<a href="#">Waterstones</a>
	Cambridge Latin Course Book 2	9780521644686	<a href="#">Amazon</a>	<a href="#">Waterstones</a>
Mandarin	Materials issued by Department			
Spanish	Zoom español 1	9780199127542	<a href="#">Amazon</a>	<a href="#">Waterstones</a>

\* denotes book used in previous year

### English

On entry to Form 2 pupils will be informed by their class teachers of the texts they will be studying and these should be purchased at the start of each term. Other prose and drama texts will be prescribed in the course of the year and should be purchased as soon as they have been notified. Novels may be purchased as hard copies or may be downloaded to iPads.

## Stationery - Form 2

Stationery items required for the start of each new school session:

1 x File Pad

1 x A4 Binder

1 x Pen, Pencil, Ruler, Rubber, calculator

Further items will be advised by each subject/class teacher.





# Uniform - Senior Years



All uniform and equipment should be named

\*Items only available from Official Suppliers.

	GREY BLAZER UNIFORM	NAVY BLAZER UNIFORM
Blazer	*Grey with School Badge	*Dark Navy with School Badge
Trousers	*HSD Dark Navy Width of trouser leg and style as supplied by the official suppliers. No other colour of trouser may be worn	*HSD Grey Width of trouser leg and style as supplied by the official suppliers.No other colour of trouser may be worn
Coat	*HSD Quarter Zip waterproof (worn OVER Blazer only)	
Skirt	*HSD Check. To be worn to mid-knee	
Shirt	Long Sleeved white shirt. N.B. If a t-shirt is worn underneath shirt in winter it must be plain white.	
Tie	*Senior Years	
Pullover	*Grey with school colours. Length not below blazer.	
Cardigan	*Grey with school colours. Length not below blazer.	
¼ Zip	*Navy with the school badge. Can be worn under blazer.	
Socks/Tights	Black opaque tights with skirt. Short grey / black / navy ankle length socks with long trousers i.e. not trainer socks	
Shoes	Black leather simple style, lacing or slip on. No canvas or trainer style shoes.	
Scarf & Hat	*HSD or plain navy/grey or black	
Gloves	Navy, grey or black only	
School Bags	*HSD Rucksack or predominantly dark coloured sports rucksack or leather bag	
Hair Accessories	*HSD check/black/navy. These should be simple.	

## Uniform - Senior Sports

Key to the table: C=Compulsory, O=Optional, AD= Activity Dependent AD = Activity Dependent Item			
KIT	SUPPLIERS	PE	GAMES
HSD Tracksuit Bottoms (Stadium Pants)	Stevensons and Be Schoolwear	C	C
HSD Hoodie	Stevensons and Be Schoolwear	C	C
HSD White Polo or HSD Navy T-Shirt	Stevensons and Be Schoolwear	C	C
HSD PE Shorts/HSD Skort	Stevensons	C	C
HSD Gold Socks	Stevensons and Be Schoolwear	C	C
HSD Hockey Top	Stevensons and Be Schoolwear		AD
HSD Reversible Rugby Top	Stevensons and Be Schoolwear		AD
HSD Rugby Shorts	Stevensons		AD
HSD Half Zip Waterproof Jacket	Stevensons & Be Schoolwear	O	O
HSD Fleece	Stevensons and Be Schoolwear	O	O
HSD Navy Baselayer Top	Stevensons and Be Schoolwear	O	O
HSD Navy Baselayer Bottoms	Stevensons and Be Schoolwear	O	O
HSD Beanie Hat	Stevensons & Be Schoolwear	O	O
HSD Athletic Vest	Stevensons	O	O
HSD Rucksack	Stevensons	O	O
Indoor Trainers (non-marking)	These items can be bought from our suppliers along with a range of other sports stores	C	C
Astro/Outdoor Trainers		C	C
Rugby Boots			AD
Mouthguard		C	C
Shin Guards		AD	AD
White Sports Socks		C	
Hockey Stick (Terms 1 & 2) /Tennis Racquet (Term 3)		AD	AD

# *Uniform - PE, Games & Appearance*

## Indoor Session/Hockey

- During indoor sessions pupils must wear white polo or blue t-shirt, skort/PE shorts, white sports socks and indoor shoes
- During hockey outdoor sessions pupils must wear hockey top, skort/PE shorts, gold socks, shin guards, mouth guard and astro shoes. HSD half zip and base layers (optional)

## Indoor Session/Rugby

- During indoor sessions pupils must wear white polo or blue t-shirt, PE shorts/skort, white sports socks and indoor shoes
- During outdoor rugby sessions, pupils must wear reversible rugby top, rugby shorts, gold socks, mouth guard and boots. HSD half zip and base layers (optional).

In addition, it is appropriate to wear additional kit, as listed on the previous page, when taking part outdoors in inclement weather. When taking part in activities not listed, guidance will be given from the PE Department on suitable kit.

When leaving either the Mayfield or Dalnacraig grounds by public transport or foot all pupils must be wearing School Uniform or School Tracksuit (this must include HSD branded tracksuit bottoms and hoodie/fleece/waterproof) .



## Appearance

### Hair Styles and Accessories

Hairstyles should be neat and tidy and not styled in such a way as to attract attention. Extreme styles are not permitted. Hair may be dyed but must be natural in tone.

Hair should be tied back as required for Health and Safety reasons, for example, during Science, Health & Food Technology and PE & Games lessons. Pupils should come to school prepared with baubles/ties to enable this. Hair accessories should be either black, navy, grey or the HSD tartan.

### Facial Hair

Facial hair is not permitted. Pupils should be clean shaven.

### Jewellery

You may wear one pair of simple stud earrings when wearing school uniform. Earrings should not be worn with sports kit. These should be removed for Health & Safety reasons, for example, during Science, Health & Food Technology and PE & Games lessons. Earrings may not be worn when representing the school in sports fixtures. The only other permitted jewellery items are a watch and one simple finger ring.

Only official school badges, or those representing charities supported by the school, are allowed.

### Make-Up

Make-up may be worn but should be discreet. False eyelashes are not permitted. Visible tattoos are not permitted.

### Nails

Pupils may wear nail polish if it is in natural/nude tones that complement skin colour. Extreme and/or bright colours, including black and white, are not permitted. Nails should be kept neatly trimmed.

### Shoes

Shoes must be black leather. Trainers are not permitted, nor are boots unless the Rector decides that they are required as a result of extreme weather conditions.

### Socks

Socks must always be worn with trousers and should be black, navy, or grey. They should be ankle-length – trainer socks are not permitted.

### Hats, scarves, and gloves

HSD hats and scarves can be purchased from our uniform suppliers. Alternatively, pupils may wear their own plain navy, black or grey hats, scarves, and gloves.

### Outerwear

In the winter months, we recommend that the quarter zip waterproof top is worn over the blazer. No other coat or jacket is permitted with school uniform. The school blazer must be worn once the jacket has been removed. All outwear (half-zip waterproof tops, hats, gloves, and scarves) should be removed indoors.

# HSD Uniform and Appearance

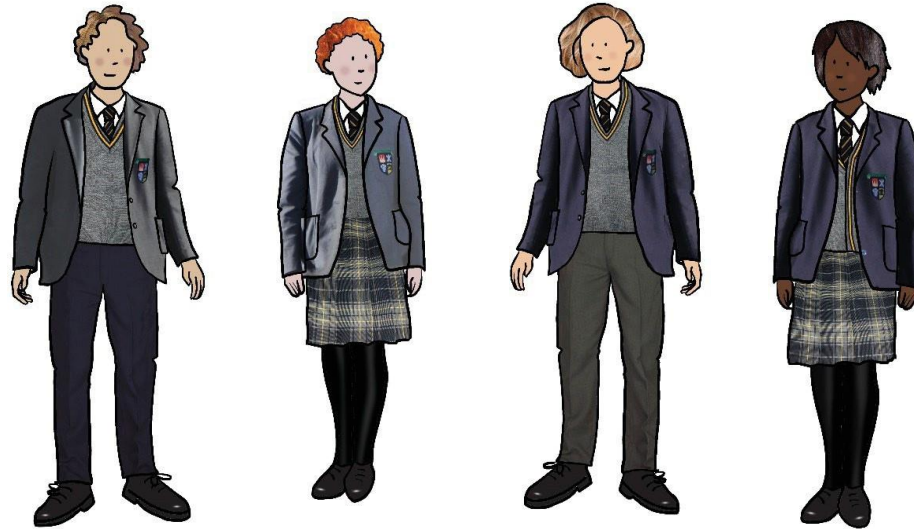
**Hair colour** - natural in tone / not of extreme style

**Facial Hair** - clean shaven

**Make-up** - discreet

**Nails** - neutral tone nail polish and neatly trimmed

**Jewellery** - one pair of stud earrings, one plain ring, and a watch



## Grey Blazer Uniform

Grey Blazer
Dark Navy trousers or HSD check skirt {not > 10cm above base of kneecap}
Long-sleeved white shirt
School tie
HSD ¼ zip mid-layer top or Grey HSD pullover/cardigan
Black/grey/navy ankle-length socks or Black tights
Black leather school shoes (no boots or trainers)
Black, navy, or grey hats, scarves, and gloves
HSD half-zip waterproof jacket (worn over blazer)

## Navy Blazer Uniform

Navy Blazer
Grey trousers or HSD check skirt {not > 10cm above base of kneecap}
Long-sleeved white shirt
School tie
HSD ¼ zip mid-layer top or Grey HSD pullover/cardigan
Black/grey/navy ankle-length socks or Black tights
Black leather school shoes (no boots or trainers)
Black, navy, or grey hats, scarves, and gloves
HSD half-zip waterproof jacket (worn over blazer)

# Uniform - The Thrift Shop

## About the Thrift Shop

For the convenience of parents a Thrift Shop is operated by the Committee of the Old Girls' Club. It is staffed by a rota of volunteers drawn from the Old Girls' Club and from parents. The main aim of the Thrift Shop is to provide parents with a place for the sale and purchase of items of good quality, second-hand school uniform and regulation sportswear. 25% of all sales are kept for the Thrift Shop Fund of the Old Girls' Club. When funds accumulate it is used to buy items for the school e.g. the sound system in Trinity, the summer-house for the Nursery and an annual donation is given for the Junior School Garden.

The Thrift Shop can be found to the left of the foyer in the main building (with the pillars) and opening times can be found on Firefly. If you are new to the school please ask Admissions for a Thrift Shop Order Form which can then be emailed to the school office for processing.



All Regulation School uniform is sold in the Thrift Shop. Blazers, pinafore, skirts and all regulation sportswear are especially needed for sale. No white shirts or white polo shirts are accepted but HSD branded polo shirts are accepted. Only grey trousers previously purchased from Stevenson's are accepted. They should be handed into the Thrift Shop or the School Office in a clean and resale-able condition, clearly labelled with seller's name and address or handed in as a donation.

The Thrift Shop is staffed on a purely voluntary basis. Any parent or friend of the School ('Old Girl' or not) interested in joining the rota for serving in the shop is asked to email [thriftshop@highschoolofdundee.org.uk](mailto:thriftshop@highschoolofdundee.org.uk).

## Conditions for acceptance of Thrift Shop articles

There are conditions drawn up by the Old Girls' Committee for the acceptance of articles: articles must be clean (laundered or dry-cleaned if possible) and in a condition suitable for resale. The Organisers reserve the right to refuse any article that they consider is not up to standard or of which there is a surfeit in the shop at that time. Items are accepted at the owner's risk. Articles priced in the shop at £9 and under will be taken as a donation.

The price charged for an item will be in accordance with guidelines laid down by the Old Girls' Committee and will take into account the condition of the article. Once an item is sold, 75% of the selling price is returned to the seller, with 25% being retained by the shop. Payment for articles sold is made twice a year by cheque and articles can be disposed of to charity if not sold after one year.

*No refunds are given.*





## Floreat Schola Taodunensis (extract from our School Song)

Schola clara, hodie  
Grato te laudemus  
Nos alumni carmine,  
Matrem quam fovemus.

Prisca nutrix militum.  
Vincla qui rupere  
Scotis, et pro patria  
Bello cecidere.

*Chorus:*  
*Taodunum floreat;*  
*Floreat mercatura*  
*Floreas, schola nobilis*  
*Aeternum sis mansura*







## Term Dates - Academic Year 2023-24

### Autumn term 2023

Start: Mon 21 Aug Staff In-Service 1  
Tues 22 Aug Staff In-Service 2  
Wed 23 Aug Term starts for pupils  
Mid-term: Mon 9 Oct Holiday  
Mon 23 Oct Term restarts for all  
End: Fri 22 Dec End of term at 12 noon

### Spring Term 2024

Start: Fri 5 Jan Staff In-Service 3  
Mon 8 Jan Term starts for pupils  
Mid-term: Mon 12 Feb Holiday  
Mon 19 Feb Term restarts for all  
End: Fri 29 March End of term at 12 noon

### Summer Term 2024

Start: Mon 15 April Term restarts for all  
(Good Friday 29 March;  
Easter Monday 1 April)  
Mid-term: Mon 22 May Holiday  
Tues 28 May Holiday  
Wed 29 May Staff In-Service 4  
30 May term restarts for all  
End: Fri 28 June End of term

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### School Calendar - SOCS

Our School Calendar of main sporting, musical, drama, parent teacher evenings and other events can be found on SOCS [here](#).

### Holiday Sports Camps

Mayfield Sports Centre run sports camps over most holidays. To find out more click [here](#).

### Hire our Sports Facilities

Our Sports facilities are available for hire so do let any clubs that you participate in know. You can find their link [here](#).

# Useful Contact Information

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