



THS

TIVERTON HIGH SCHOOL



WELCOME

Learn Together. Grow Together. Succeed Together.

We are hugely proud of the achievement of our students and Tiverton High School is truly at the heart of our community. We believe education should empower young people, giving them the knowledge to make sense of the world and grow into citizens who make a difference. This must be supported by a curriculum that gives students the power to think for themselves, shaped by what they need to know, understand and fulfil, in order to have happy, successful and prosperous lives. Essential as good examination results are, students should be inspired by excellent teaching, strong relationships with staff and enrichment, into whatever pathway they choose as they move into the next stage of their lives.

We aspire for every child to work hard, be kind and aim high. This is underpinned by our whole school priorities of Exemplary behaviour, great teaching and connecting communities. We aim for a culture of exemplary behaviour through clear and high expectations, positive reinforcement, and consistent practices, so that behaviour is conducive to learning, where students show respect for themselves and others. Where high-quality teaching meets the needs of all students and promotes continuous improvement so that we are truly inclusive enabling students to feel safe, have a sense of belonging and can be successful learners. We create a strong, inclusive school culture, where everyone feels valued and connected, so attendance is high and there is a strong sense of belonging.

The school is on a rapid improvement journey and our approach and school culture is set by us, through our shared purpose and vision. We will ensure our culture is one of **collective optimism** whilst being **relentless with our routines** and demonstrate **visible kindness** to the school community.

We are really excited to be welcoming you to Tiverton High School. I hope you are also feeling excited to move on to the next chapter in your life so far. This information booklet is designed to help you familiarize yourself with Tiverton High School and answer some questions that you may have. Please don't hesitate to contact us if you have any questions or concerns. A date for your diary; there will be a welcome evening 26 March 6-7pm, where you can meet myself and other members of the team here at Tiverton High School.

James Lamb - Headteacher



As we start the transition process we understand that you may have a few more questions about the school than you did before.

We have created this booklet especially for parents to help answer some of the more frequently asked questions they have at this point in the journey. You'll receive other information packs shortly that go into more detail about our school and our school systems. Your child will also receive a booklet just before their Transition Days which will help them settle into the school.

If you haven't done so already we suggest you familiarise yourself with the school website and also follow our social media account on Facebook @TivertonHighSchoolDevon as both of these will give you lots of information and an insight into our vibrant school.

Myself and other members of the transition team look forward to meeting your child and welcoming them to our school.

Nicola Lane - Assistant Headteacher – Student Wellbeing



Transition Programme Dates

26th March

Welcome evening for all parents, carers and students in the school hall. Mr Lamb and Mrs Heath (CEO of Blackdown Education Trust) will welcome the new year group and their families to the school.

Dates in April/May/June

Enhanced transition days. These days are for a small number of students. Parents/carers will be made aware of this if it involves your young person.

2nd May

Deadline for all student detail S1/11 forms to be returned.

24th June

Maggie Fasey Challenge.

25th and 26th June

Transition Days at Tiverton High School

26th June

Meet the Tutor evening at Tiverton High School.

4th September

First day at school for year 7.

Further details on these events will be communicated through our school social media and other communication with parents.



Words of Wisdom from our current year 7 students

Holly

Kaitlyn

Isaac

Thomas



Transitioning to THS as a year 7 student has been both exciting and enriching. The supportive staff and welcoming atmosphere have made it easy to adapt. I have enjoyed making new friends and joining extra curricular clubs. I am grateful to the teachers and for the learning opportunities.



Don't worry about getting lost or not knowing where your classrooms are. There are always lots of teachers around the school and in the corridors who are happy to help you. Other year group students are happy to help as well. Don't worry if you don't recognise or have any of your friends in some of your classes you will get to know lots of other students and make friends. I found that going to lots of after school clubs has helped me make lots of new friends.



I think that the clubs are something great about THS as you get to make new friends and meet new teachers. There is a range of break and after school clubs to suit all interests and skills. I really loved Surf Club, which was a new thing for me, but I was made to feel very welcome. The clubs help to build your confidence and also new skills.



When I first joined THS I only had my friends from primary school. Around 1 or 2 weeks later I started to make lots of new friends. Now I have lots of friends. I have made about 20 new friends. At THS you make a lot of friends very quickly. But if no one wants to be your friend – I will.

P REPARED

Prepare for adulthood
Understand my next steps
Organise for the day ahead
Embrace the challenges of learning

R ESPECTFUL

Show kindness
Value differences
Care for our environment
Respect yourself and others

O WNSHIP

Have a positive voice
Contribute to my progress
Accept support to be successful
Take responsibilities for my actions

U NITED

Achieve together
Overcome barriers
Support each other
Celebrate 'us' as individuals

D ETERMINED

Persevere
Be my best self
Reach for ambitions
Embrace new challenges

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Uniform

Tiverton High School is proud of its uniform and how our students appear, both in school and to the public. We believe this reflects positively on our school, but more importantly it ensures our students feel prepared for work and face fewer distractions in the classroom.

We also believe that through upholding our policies around behaviour, uniform and personal appearance all students are seen as equal. More details about our uniform suppliers will follow.

- Jacket: Tiverton High School jacket with logo
- Shirt: A long or short sleeved plain white shirt with collar buttoned to the neck.
- Tie: Correct year group tie – see below.
- Trousers: Riveted plain black full-length school trousers.
- Shorts: Riveted plain black school shorts, worn at an appropriate and respectable length, knee length.
- Jumpers: Plain black V-neck knitted jumper or cardigan over shirt and tie (optional). With or without THS logo. This cannot be worn as an alternative to the school jacket.
- Socks: Black or white socks.
- Footwear: Plain black leather/synthetic flat shoes.

Jewellery: Maximum of two stud earrings. Badges issued by the school. Watches (not smart watches). A single nose stud.

Hair & makeup: Discreet make-up, if worn. Tattoos and body art are not permitted. Fake eyelashes are not permitted.

The following are not allowed:

- Trousers: Leggings, jeggings, jeans, skin-tight/stretch trousers, shiny trousers, trousers with zip adornment, cropped or ¾ length trousers.
- Shorts: Shorts that are not an appropriate or respectable length or that do not allow a reasonable range of movement.
- Jumpers: Round-necked jumpers. Hoodies (with the exception of PE hoodies worn only when taking part in PE).
- Socks: Knee-high or coloured socks.
- Footwear: Canvas/skater style shoes. No coloured logos/laces or coloured accents.

 **THS TIVERTON HIGH SCHOOL** TIES FROM SEPTEMBER 2025  **THS**



PE Kit

The compulsory items of kit you will need to order from Stitch2Print are:

- THS Hobby Polo
- A choice of THS Shorts **or** THS Elba Tracksuit Bottoms **or** THS Leggings **or** THS Katy Ladies Skort (only 1 of these is compulsory) **or** black bottoms. Further details about black bottoms are below:
- These must be black, with no mesh and no large logos.
- The gymnastics type Nike pro shorts that are short in length will not be accepted nor will those of a similar length.
- Students will be allowed to continue wearing any THS Joma navy bottoms they currently own.
- You will be able to purchase plain black bottoms from Stitch2Print without the school badge.
- THS Classic Socks

Two long sleeve options are available for sweatshirts: the THS Faraon ¼ Zip or the THS Hoodie.



STITCH **2** PRINT

Equipment

Equipment you will require for school every day

School bag

Clear pencil case (year 11 preference)

Black pen

Purple pen

Pencil

Ruler

Highlighters x 2 not orange or green

Scientific calculator

White board and marker (school provides)

Glue stick

Pencil Sharpener

Eraser

Reusable water bottle



This year we are participating in The Big Step

The Big Step has helped over 7000 children across the Southwest transition into secondary school, and we've seen the difference it makes.

Their Summer Transition Programme at Tiverton High School is designed to give your child the best start possible, helping them feel at home in their new school before September even begins.

Delivered by teachers, their programme is fully inclusive and designed to meet the needs and abilities of all children. Whether your child feels confident about starting secondary school, a little nervous, or anywhere in between, our activities ensure that every child can take part, feel valued, and develop key skills to help them transition smoothly into Year 7.

This will take place 11th - 15th August

What's in Store for Your Child?

- Crack codes in immersive escape rooms
- Solve exciting CSI investigations
- Dodge, dive & compete in glow-in-the-dark dodgeball
- Try out archery, crazy golf & scavenger hunts
- Boost confidence with martial arts & cooking
- Unleash creativity in drama workshops
- And much, much more!



See the additional information provided with this welcome pack for more details about how to book your child a place. or visit: <https://thebigstep.org/school/tiverton-high-school>

Food and the refectory

We are very lucky to have fantastic catering here and we work hard to have healthy, fresh and a broad range of different food available every day. Students can buy food at school or can bring a packed lunch. We use a cashless catering system and you'll be sent information about how to set up an account later in the term. Students pay for their food with a bio-metric system.

We rotate the menus over three weeks. This is an example of our menu and pricelist (prices correct at time of printing)



WINTER MENU • WEEK ONE

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Main Beef Lasagne with Garlic Bread and Mixed Salad	Big Brunch: Bacon, Sausage, Hash Browns, Grilled Tomato and Baked Beans	Roast Chicken with Sage and Onion Stuffing, Roast Potatoes, Seasonal Vegetables and Gravy	Slow Cooked Chilli Beef with Steamed Rice, Nachos and Corn on the Cob	COOKED BY DAY Breaded Fish, Butchers Sausages, Chicken Bites or Veggie Burgers with Peas, Baked Beans and Chips
Main Vegetable Lasagne with Garlic Bread and Mixed Salad	Vegetarian Brunch: Quorn Sausages, Mushrooms, Hash Browns, Grilled Tomato and Baked Beans	Leintil Loaf with Roast Potatoes, Seasonal Vegetables and Gravy	Quorn Chilli with Steamed Rice, Nachos and Corn on the Cob	

CHEF'S CHOICE OF HOT PASTA
Available Daily

FRESHLY PREPARED SALAD BAR
Available Daily

HOMEMADE SOUP WITH A CRUSTY ROLL
Available Daily

FRESHLY PREPARED WRAPS, SANDWICHES AND BAGUETTES
Available Daily


FRESH FRUIT FROM THE FRUIT BAR
Available Daily

A SELECTION OF HOMEMADE BAKES
Available Daily

We are pleased to offer a variety of allergen free options on our food menus. Although all food is prepared in a kitchen that handles most allergens and therefore we cannot guarantee that cross contamination will never occur, we do take every possible precaution to prevent this from happening.








PRICE LIST

FOOD			
Meal Deals	£2.53	Standard Sandwich	£1.75
Main Meal	£2.10	Premium Sandwich	£1.95
Grab and Go	£1.95	Standard Wrap	£1.95
Pizza	£1.45	Baguettes	£2.20
Pasta Bar	£1.95	Paninis	£1.65
Half Pasta Pots	£1.05	Salad Bar Pot	£2.25
Curry Bar	£1.95	Home Bake	£0.85
Half Curry Pots	£1.05	Fruit Bar	£1.25

DRINKS			
Bottled Water	£0.85	Radnor Splash	£1.00
Viva Milk Shakes	£0.85	Radnor Fruits Cartons	£0.80
Radnor Fizz	£0.85		



The School Food Revolution



Clubs and enrichment opportunities

There are plenty of opportunities to get involved with activities outside of lessons here at THS. We have lots of clubs to try and join. These take place before school, break times and after school. The clubs range from sports activities, performing arts, charity clubs like INTERACT (Young Rotary) to homework clubs and even a Young Carers club and a surf club.

As you move through the school there are also enrichment activities like Ten Tors, Duke of Edinburgh Award, Carnegie Book Club and CREST, a science club.

We like to encourage students to try new clubs and involve themselves in the life of the school as much as possible. The Enrichment Timetable is published at the start of each term.



Keeping up to date with THS

We are a very busy school and have lots going on every day from fantastic lessons to our great range of extra-curricular Enrichment Programme activities. Our website provides parents and carers information about term dates, policies and contact details for our staff. It is a great starting point if you have any questions. The website address is:

www.tiverton.devon.sch.uk



We also keep parents and carers and the wider community informed about what is happening via our school social media account. We post regularly to show what our students are doing, sporting successes, trips and activities and also important reminders and information. If you don't follow the account already please do as it will be helpful and will show you lots of 'behind the scenes' things about the school. You can find us on Facebook @TivertonHighSchoolDevon

This week the year 10 and year 11 netball teams went to Bishop Fox's School for a versatility tournament. After each goal the scoring team had to change position which placed players at a disadvantage, but was a great way to build confidence in other positions.

Year 11 managed to draw one and only narrowly lose their other three games. Year 10 won three out of four of their games and now have renewed confidence for our finale in a month's time. A huge well done to all players!



INTERACT put smiles on many faces today with their fundraising efforts. The baking competition was a display of pure talent with dozens of cakes, biscuits and cupcakes brought in at the start of the day.

Well done to Kaitlyn in year 7 for winning with her heart shaped cake. Thank you to Jane of Rotary Club of Tiverton for choosing the winner from such a strong field.

Students and staff had been very busy this week ordering their balloons and the INTERACT team had their work cut out for them. See more

