



The Blue Coat School

Year 7

New Starter

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What uniform does my child need, and where can I buy it?

Blazers, skirts, ties and PE kit must be purchased directly from our uniform supplier, Stevensons via their website:

[Home - Stevensons](#)

Other items such as shirts, trousers and jumpers can be purchased from any retailer.

Uniform Policy and School Shoe Guidance:

[Uniform - The Blue Coat School \(blue-coat.org\)](http://blue-coat.org)

What is Cashless Catering?

Your child can purchase food and drinks in our restaurant using their fingerprint. We will be holding a set up event for this during the summer break, date to be confirmed. Log in details for WisePay, used to top up your child's account, will be sent in September.

Your child can also bring a packed lunch from home, should they prefer.

When will I begin receiving communication from the school?

For now, we can only send emails to the first parent/carer contact listed within your child's application. Emails will be sent to all parent/carer contacts once your child has started school in September.

How can I monitor my child's progress?

The following will be available (and log in details sent) **after** your child starts in September:

MyEd app (attendance, achievements, behaviour)

Haldor Homework

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How will I know about upcoming events at Blue Coat?

Follow us on social media: [Facebook](#) and [X \(Twitter\)](#).
Search for events or subscribe to our school calendar here: <https://www.blue-coat.org/events/>.

Where can my child go for help during the school day?

All of our staff members wear the same staff lanyard, so it's easy to find someone to help. At break or lunchtime, pupils can visit Student Services (attendance, medical or pastoral queries) or the Main Office (finance, spare uniform, timetable queries).

My child is excited to find out more about school life – what else is there to do at Blue Coat?

Click below to see details of our extra-curricular timetable, trips, Duke of Edinburgh, music and band:
[Enrichment](#)

How can I get involved in the school community as a parent/carer?

Our Parent/Teacher Association (PTA) brings parents and carers, staff and pupils together, and raises funds for school along the way. We will be in touch regarding the PTA once your child has joined in September.

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My child has a medical issue – who needs to know?

Our Medical Officer will review the information you have provided within our Data Collection Form, and will be in contact in due course. If a medical concern arises during the school year, please email medicalsupport@blue-coat.org.

Can my child take medication during the school day?

If your child needs to take prescribed medication during the school day, please request a consent form from medicalsupport@blue-coat.org.

You will then need to bring the medication to Student Services to be safely stored and issued. The same process should also be followed for paracetamol.

What dates can I add to my calendar?

Transition Evenings (for parent/carers AND pupils:
Wednesday 26th June or Thursday 27th June

Transition Day (for pupils only):
Thursday 4th July 2024

I still have questions!

Please refer to our website, in particular our Year 7 New Starter page linked below. Here, you can find links to pages with information on first day of term, safeguarding and welfare, curriculum and culture, attendance, punctuality and more.

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*Thank
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We look forward to welcoming you
to
The Blue Coat School community!