

16 July 2023

Dear Parent / Carer

END OF TERM ARRANGEMENTS & UNIFORM UPDATE

As we approach the end of the academic year, we are looking forward to a week of rewards for students including our termly rewards assemblies, where students will be recognised for demonstrating the PINDAR values as well as for their achievements in all subjects. A huge number of students will receive certificates so please do ask your child if they have been nominated and congratulate them on their success! Our end-of-year newsletter, the Pindar Press, will be sent out on Friday and this will also showcase the huge number of events in which students have participated over the last six weeks. I hope you will enjoy reading about our adventures!

On Friday 21 July, we will be holding a 'Pindar Values Event Day'. This will comprise a full day of activities, challenges and sports events aimed at all year groups which reinforce the George Pindar School Values and promote positive mental wellbeing for all. Throughout the day, students will be encouraged to get involved in a range of superb activities across 4 different zones including: the Silly Sports Zone, the Fun Zone, the Inflatable Zone and the Activities Zone. In addition, there will be stalls selling sweets, waffles and other treats and students are encouraged to bring a small amount of change with them if they wish to purchase something.

School begins as usual at 8.35am and finishes at 3pm. Students should arrive at school in appropriate sportswear, for example their PE kit or other sportswear. Students require a t-shirt and jumper and either tracksuit bottoms, sweat pants, shorts or leggings. Appropriate sports footwear must also be worn, as some activities require students to wear trainers. Due to the unpredictable British weather, students should bring both a waterproof coat and sun cream, as well as a hat / cap and a bottle that they can fill with water. There will be a hydration station for water and a first aid area available on the

We will provide **every** student with a free school meal for the George Pindar Picnic on Rewards Day. This meal will consist of a sandwich bap (selection of fillings), a packet of crisps, a cookie, and a bottle of flavoured water. Each student will also be provided with a token for a free Ice Cream from the Ice Cream van that will be on site. Should they prefer, your child can also bring their own lunch and drink from home. Please be aware that there will be **no hot meals** available on this day.

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Due to the nature of the day, the school reserves the right to remove any student from an activity if their conduct is not deemed appropriate and the school reserves the right to deny your child entry and participation in the event if there are significant behaviour concerns in the days leading to the event. If you have any concerns, or you do not wish your child to be involved in any of the activities, please contact your child's Head of Year.

We are really looking forward to this event and hope that this will be a great celebration of the George Pindar School community of which we are so proud. Please do follow our Social Media channels for photos of the event.

As we approach the summer holidays, thoughts will of course turn to uniform for the new academic year. As you are aware, there have been changes in Government guidance regarding school uniform and the number of branded items which must be purchased. There are two uniform providers in Scarborough who sell George Pindar branded items as well as non-branded items (details below). Non-branded items can also be purchased from supermarkets / high-street stores. Edge Clothing are currently increasing the stock they hold for our school and at the present time are most likely to be able to provide for new Y7 students. Due to the changes we have made to our uniform to increase affordability, there is some surplus stock available for purchase from Rumours and as a support for the cost of living crisis, we are able to allow students in current Year 9 and current Year 10 to purchase a black slipover which Rumours are currently selling at £7.50. We would appreciate any donations of clean, reusable uniform which we can sell for donations in line with Government guidance. Items can be dropped at reception or in the dining hall on the morning of 21 July. Should you have any queries about uniform, please contact reception in the first instance.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you as ever for your support and look forward to the final days in school celebrating our students' achievements and enjoying a very special GPS rewards day.

Yours sincerely

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<u>Principal</u>

Our uniform providers are:
Edge Clothing and Rumours.
Edge Clothing is located at Unit 5, Wareham Road
Eastfield, Scarborough, YO11 3UW
Email info @edgeclothing.co.uk or telephone 01723 585837
Rumours are located at 17 Victoria Road,
Scarborough, YO11 1SB. Their telephone number is: 01723 501989