



Scissett Middle School

Meet the Form Tutor - 2023



This Evening



Life at Scissett
Middle School

Key members of
staff

Opportunity to
chat with the
form tutor and
pastoral team

Vision and Values

Vision

To ensure that we are all inspired with a love of learning, a zest for life and the confidence to excel whilst keeping our values at the heart of everything we do.



Values

A school that provides outstanding learning opportunities underpinned by a culture of Respect

Resilience

Excellence

Support

Pride

Enjoyment

Creativity

Trust

What does this look like...?



Challenge in lessons

High expectations of behaviour

High expectations of attendance

Mutual Respect and positive relationships

Safe and caring environment

Homework

Key staff



6..... – Form
Tutor

Mrs Vikki Ward
– Head of Year 6

Mr Jason Terry –
Head of Pastoral
Care

Mrs Rachael
Onnis –
SENDSCO

Mrs Gill Senior –
Head of School

Mr Chris Taylor
– Executive
Headteacher

Mrs Natalie
Hunter –
Assistant
Headteacher

Mrs Nicola
Robinson –
Assistant
Headteacher

Mr Joe
McQueeney –
Assistant
Headteacher

Ms Claire
Turnbull –
Associate Senior
Leader

Main points of contact in school



- ❖ Day-to-day communication -- Form Tutor
- ❖ Serious concern -- Head of Year (Mrs Ward)
- ❖ Special Educational Needs -- Mrs Onnis (SENDCO)
- ❖ Child Protection and Safeguarding – Mrs Senior or Mrs Onnis
- ❖ Academic -- Subject Teacher or Subject Leader

- ❖ If you are unable to resolve an issue, you can contact a senior member of staff - the link Senior Leader for Year 6 is Mr McQueeney.

A day in the life...



Day starts at 8.55am (warning bell rings at 8.50am)

Pupils have at least one hour of literacy and one hour of numeracy per day

Specialist teachers in Science, Humanities, Technology, Music, RE/Citizenship, PE, Computing, Art and French in the afternoons

One morning break of 20 minutes

Lunch break of 1 hour with 3 sittings which are revolved

Day finishes at 3.40pm

Clubs are available at lunch time and after school (currently 38)

Homework - literacy and numeracy only.

What does your child need to bring?



- ❖ A bag big enough to hold an A4 folder
- ❖ PE kit on days when they have PE or clubs/fixtures
- ❖ A pencil case with the following equipment:
 - ❖ Pen (blue or black and a green pen)
 - ❖ Pencil
 - ❖ Ruler
 - ❖ Whiteboard pen
 - ❖ Rubber
 - ❖ Glue stick
 - ❖ Compass
 - ❖ Calculator
 - ❖ Protractor

Pastoral Care



- ❖ We are very lucky to have a larger than average Pastoral Team to meet the wider social and emotional needs of our pupils.
- ❖ Pastoral care begins with the Form Tutor and this should always be your first point of contact.

In addition;

- ❖ 3 Heads of Year who have sole responsibility for a Year Group but very much operate as a team (Mrs Ward, Mr Davidson and Mr Terry).
- ❖ Full-time emotional well-being counsellor and family support worker – Mrs West
- ❖ Full time SEMH support and intervention worker – Mrs Hodgson
- ❖ Youth Mental Health First Aider and Mentor – Miss Parojcic
- ❖ School Nurse - Every Wednesday lunchtime time and afternoon - Mrs Steph Hoyland
- ❖ Therapy Dog – Duke!

What does positive behaviour look like?



Conduct

- ❖ Polite and well mannered
- ❖ Punctual to lessons and ready to learn
- ❖ Allowing everyone to concentrate and do their best in lessons
- ❖ Working with everyone and anyone
- ❖ Respectful of everyone and accepting of difference
- ❖ Managing personal behaviour and choices.

Behaviour for Learning

- ❖ Resilient – doesn't give up
- ❖ Thrives on challenges
- ❖ Sees errors as an opportunity to learn
- ❖ Determination to improve - engaging with written and verbal feedback
- ❖ Organised and ready to learn
- ❖ Drives their own learning and shows independence of thought

Rewards and Sanctions



Rewards



Positive Behaviour points will be awarded when pupils meet and exceed the behaviour expectations.



Points are recorded on Classcharts and can be spent by pupils in the reward shop.



There will be a planned reward for pupils at the end of each term.

Sanctions

Sanctions will be issued where pupils' behaviour falls below the expectations in school and they have been unable to respond appropriately with sufficient warning and support.

Pupils will be removed from lessons if their behaviour impacts on the learning or safety of others.

Parents and carers will be invited in to school to discuss any of our more serious sanctions should this be required

Attendance and Punctuality



Always aim for 100%



Reporting an absence – this should be done directly to the school office and by 8.30am.




Failure to report an absence will result in communication from the school and home visits if required.





Punctuality plays a key part in a pupils' attitude to learning.
Punctuality to school and individual lessons is monitored closely.


Uniform





 Black tailored trousers or skirt (knee length and tailored fabric). Tailored school shorts may be worn.

 A white shirt (long or short sleeved)

 A school tie

 A school jumper (may be removed in warm weather)

 Black shoes (no sports trainers or logos – please refer to school website)

 We understand that sometimes things happen and children do not have an item of uniform. School will keep spare uniform for pupils in these cases for them to borrow.

PLEASE LABEL EVERYTHING!!

School Meals



The meal system is a self-service system offering a wide choice. We will be sending out menus as soon as they are available. Previous menus are available to view on Facebook. Meals will cost £2.70.

We operate a cashless system for payment which speeds up the service at lunchtime.

Pupils activate the account by a thumb or fingerprint.

At the till, children activate their account and the cost of the meal is deducted as they pass through the checkout.

The school opens at 8am for Breakfast Club. Your child can purchase hot drinks, cereal, toast, milk and fruit juice amongst other things.

At morning break pupils will have the opportunity to buy snacks.

Travelling to and from school



Whilst travelling on the bus, children are expected to behave in a responsible and considerate manner. If irresponsible behaviour occurs, there will be consequences for those pupils concerned, which may include a ban on travelling on school transport for serious or repeated incidents.

In the event of a bus breaking down it is important that children remain with the bus until a replacement comes or an adult is able to collect them.

Parking in the bus bay - please allow space for the buses to turn into the bus bay, park and leave.

The behaviour policy applies whenever a pupil is wearing the Scissett Middle School Uniform.

Mobile Phones



Can be brought to school on the condition they are placed in the phone box at the beginning of the day and are not turned on whilst on school premises.

This is to preserve learning and safeguard children.

At times, such as on trips or during homework club, phones may be allowed under strict supervision and at the discretion of the adult in charge.



Medication

- All medical information and medications are held centrally in the school office.
- If your child has any medication, please ensure it is taken to the school office, clearly labelled.
- Medication, such as paracetamol should not be carried around school with pupils.
- Any pupil who requires an inhaler or epi-pen should have this about their person in addition to a spare in the office.
- Any questions please contact Mrs Frances Thornton in the school office.





Thank you

For choosing Scissett Middle School

Mrs Senior and Mrs Onnis will be available in the entrance hall for any queries or private conversations regarding Safeguarding or Additional needs.