

Clacton County High School

Higher Expectations, Raising Aspirations, Transforming Lives

Ready to Learn @ CCHS

Exercise Books/Independent Learning Folders

Students no longer need to carry their exercise books to and from school on a daily basis. Instead, unless directed otherwise (homework or revision), they will leave their books with their teachers.

This is to improve presentation and increase students' pride in their books by reducing the constant wear and tear on the books by bringing them back and forth.

All students have been issued with a plastic folder <u>Independent Learning Folder</u> which includes an information sheet of <u>CCHS Student Expectations</u>. Within their folders they will be able to keep any paper copies of homework or independent learning that their teachers have set, or that they have chosen to do to improve their own learning.

Equipment

All students are required to bring a school bag sufficient in size to carry their Independent Learning Folder (A4 size) as well as the following equipment; black pen(s) and a reading book. Other equipment that is required is a ruler, pencil, rubber, green pen and a calculator. Additional items could include a compass and a protractor. If you need support in providing a school bag or a reading book, please let us know. Equipment also includes their PE kit. On PE days, it is important that students bring their PE kit, even if for some reason they are not able to participate in the planned physical activity, they are still required to change ready to be included in the lesson albeit in a different capacity.

With the correct equipment your child is ready to learn and prepared to make the most of the opportunities available to them. Personal responsibility for being equipped for school is very important and rewards will be linked to exceptional attitudes to learning. Please help them get into this habit by checking their bag the night before or in the morning. There will be daily expectations on students for bringing a bag with their Independent Learning Folder and other equipment. If a student consistently fails to arrive to their lessons without what is required for the day this may result in negative behaviour points being issued and could lead to a 30-minute lunchtime detention.

Understandably, items do go astray, but we believe that if a student is able to look after their personal belongings such as their mobile phone etc, they should be able to take the same responsibility for their Independent Learning Folder and other basic stationary.

Water bottle

At CCHS we are very committed to community and environment. We encourage our students to think of themselves as global citizens and to be respectful of others and the environment. Our student leaders have been clear that the student body wants to minimise the use of single use plastics and we are asking that your child brings with them to school each day their own reusable water bottle which can be filled before school, at break and lunchtimes.

Behaviour for Learning Policy

Building positive relationships with our students is very important. Sometimes a student fails to meet the expectations that we have established within the Behaviour for Learning policy and this needs to be appropriately addressed with them. Students need to know that there will be a consequence and be clear what will happen and when. With this in mind, we have simplified the process to ensure that matters are dealt with more swiftly, whilst it is still fresh within a student's memory and a line is drawn under the incident before the next lesson. Should a student's behaviour within a lesson require a senior member of staff to respond, they will be required to attend a 15-minute detention immediately after school on the same day within the faculty from which they were removed. The aim of the detention is to allow for a discussion with the teacher so that an understanding of each other's viewpoint can be reached. The hope is that both parties will have time to consider and reflect ahead of the next lesson and a fresh and positive start is taken into the classroom. More serious and persistent breaches of the Behaviour for Learning policy will be dealt in line with the policy.