

DONCASTER UTC

Y12 TRANSITION BOOKLET



A NEW WAY OF LEARNING...

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Y12 TRANSITION BOOKLET 2020

WELCOME FROM THE PRINCIPAL

GARATH RAWSON

I am proud to be leading Doncaster UTC, working in collaboration with Hungerhill School as part of the Brighter Futures Learning Partnership Trust (BFLPT), which perfectly combines technical and academic education. Studying with us will allow you to follow your chosen specialism in either engineering or creative & digital technologies while studying a blend of A Levels, and developing invaluable employability skills from the best in the industry.

Doncaster UTC has the support of local, high profile industry and academic partners who have helped shape the curriculum and will work closely with our students. The importance of engineers to any society has historically been of great importance, and that trend will increase over time. I truly believe specialisms in engineering and creative & digital technologies will allow UK and global leaders to shape future jobs and help improve the life chances of all the students studying at Doncaster UTC. Having the opportunity to work with employers from the start will also enhance local opportunities for our students, who will enjoy fantastic careers and university prospects from apprenticeships to prestigious Russell Group institutions.



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A MESSAGE FROM OUR CEO

HELEN REDFORD-HERNANDEZ



I am very proud to be the CEO of the Brighter Futures Learning Partnership Trust; it is a privilege to work with dedicated, like-minded colleagues who are all focused on delivering the best educational provision for the children and young people of Doncaster. We are a multi-academy trust serving the local needs of our community with great passion; we have a team of highly committed staff, governors, local businesses and trustees who are determined to create and deliver a world-class trust vision. A big vision lies at the heart of the Brighter Futures Learning Partnership Trust; it is to be one of the highest performing and unique trusts in the country which acknowledges that every child is different and, as such, our curriculum offer will be shaped to reflect the diversity of our learners and their needs if they are to excel and develop into the next generation of highly skilled learners and innovators.



"WE ARE REALLY EXCITED TO PROVIDE THE BEST LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES TO PROMOTE THE ACHIEVEMENTS OF ALL CHILDREN, YOUNG PEOPLE AND STAFF AS WE BELIEVE THIS ENABLES THEM TO GROW AS INDIVIDUALS AND BE THE BEST THEY CAN BE."

We want to create teaching and learning which is inspirational, challenging and relevant to the 21st century where every child and young person can fulfil their potential. We are also committed to developing outstanding pastoral care which we know is an essential ingredient in ensuring that every child can flourish to develop the knowledge, skills and attributes which will enable them to have the widest possible choice of career pathways. We are unique in that our family of schools includes four primary schools, an infant school, an 11-16 secondary school and Doncaster UTC from 2020, offering an unrivalled breadth of provision and learning experiences. Two of these schools are also designated Teaching Schools and have a strong history of school-to-school support. We have a genuine desire for collaborative working and sharing of the best practice whilst understanding the need to retain our schools' individual ethos and strong sense of identity. We are really excited to provide the best learning opportunities to promote the achievements of all children, young people and staff as we believe this enables them to grow as individuals and be the best they can be.



UTC VISION AND VALUES

BFLPT is committed to securing excellence in all its schools, inspiring all students to achieve their personal best. We believe that through strong collaboration we can provide fulfilling and enriching learning experiences that help young people develop the knowledge and skills they need to lead successful and fruitful lives and which foster a love of learning that lasts a lifetime. Equally, they will have the self-confidence and wider life skills which enable them to move successfully to university or the workplace.

BFLPT will enable Doncaster UTC, and all its schools, to share capacity and expertise. By bringing a local group of schools together each will be able to provide support as well as benefiting from additional expertise. Doncaster UTC will add a new element to the Trust through an alternative progression from Year 9 onwards. BFLPT will support the UTC, critically in its early years, to develop Good and Outstanding teaching, instill excellent monitoring and tracking, and support teachers and senior leaders to ensure Doncaster UTC and its students can achieve and progress to the highest standards.

We will have endless ambition and high aspiration for all our students and staff. We will develop strong values and a positive ethos which are aligned to each school within the Trust. We will collaborate to provide the best learning experiences for students and staff; create collaborative and challenging partnerships. We will create reflective, diverse learning communities which use evidence-based practice to secure the highest performance outcomes and standards. We will provide students with rich learning experiences, which allow them to develop holistically.

OUR VISION

"At the heart of our vision is the development of exceptional care and academic performance."

OUR YEAR 12 TRANSITION TEAM

We aim to support every student by providing access to high quality academic, pastoral and emotional support by a dedicated Year 12 Team. This team includes a Vice Principal, a Learning Manager, a SENDCO and a team of tutors. Each student will be assigned a tutor group and will meet with their tutor each morning they are on site. Tutor's will be the first contact for all students and their families.



MR ARCHER
VICE PRINCIPAL
Curriculum, Assessment,
Reporting and Data



MRS KEITH
Employer Engagement
Manager and Careers Lead



MR MARTINSON
KS5 Learning Manager



MRS RICHARDSON
SENDCO

OUR SAFEGUARDING TEAM

This is always our number one priority so that our students feel safe. They can then concentrate on their learning and have trust in the culture that we create. At Doncaster UTC we do not tolerate any form of unkind behaviour, discrimination or bullying.

Here is our Safeguarding Team who will be supporting our students in September. Students can report a concern to any member of the Doncaster UTC team including their tutor and class teachers. Below are the members of our team that are trained Designated Safeguarding Leads.



MR ARCHER
VICE PRINCIPAL
Curriculum, Assessment,
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MR MARTINSON
KS5 Learning Manager



MS GLASBY
SENIOR VICE PRINCIPAL
Teaching and Learning,
Recruitment and Employer Projects



MR RAWSON
PRINCIPAL
Overall Strategic
Lead



MS GLASBY
SENIOR VICE PRINCIPAL
Teaching and Learning,
Recruitment and Employer Projects



MR ARCHER
VICE PRINCIPAL
Curriculum, Assessment,
Reporting and Data



MRS WILSON
SENIOR ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL
KS4 Strategic Lead

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MEET OUR LEADERSHIP TEAM



MR DAVIES
DIRECTOR OF MATHS
Across the Trust



MR FRANCIS
DIRECTOR OF ENGINEERING
Across the Trust



MISS ALLEN
ASSOCIATE SLT
Curriculum Director of Creative
and Digital Technology



MISS SKELDING
ASSOCIATE SLT
Curriculum Director of English



MRS KEITH
Employer Engagement
Manager and Careers Lead

As well as leading on the admissions process, Tracy Keith will also be managing employer engagement and careers. She will play a pivotal role within the UTC and be on hand to support all students throughout their time with us.

A DAY AT



- 8.40 - Registration and useful time to prep for the day.
- 8.55 - Lesson 1
- 9.55 - Lesson 2
- 10.55 - Break time
- 11.10 - Lesson 3
- 12.10 - Lesson 4
- 13.10 - Lunchtime and an opportunity to work independently
- 14.10 - Lesson 5
- 15.10 - Lesson 6
- 16.00 - Lesson 7
- 16.50 - **End of official UTC day**



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ALSO NOTE:

WEDNESDAY THE UTC DAY
WILL FINISH AT 15:10.

FRIDAY THE DAY WILL
FINISH AT 13:10, IN LINE
WITH SOME INDUSTRIES.

STUDENTS WILL ONLY NEED
TO ATTEND THEIR
TIMETABLED LESSONS AT
THE UTC. THE REMAINDER
OF THE TIME CAN BE SPENT
STUDYING ON SITE OR
OFF.

OUR CURRICULUM

In year 12, students will build upon the knowledge and skills gained at key stage 4. There are many different progression routes which includes A Levels in a variety of subjects, as well as more bespoke pathways within the Engineering specialism and the Digital and Creative Media Specialism. Students can also opt for a combination of these options.

In addition to this, students will also work on employer led projects within the specialisms, as well as completing regular work experience.

Students will be given baseline assessments in September so that we can quickly and accurately understand their strengths and tailor our planning and teaching to meet their needs. We place a strong focus on reading, literacy and numeracy; and will work purposefully to address any gaps in our students' learning.

"WE PLACE
A STRONG
EMPHASIS
ON
LITERACY."

Key Stage 5

A Level Pathway

Select three subjects from the following options:

- Biology
- Business Studies
- Chemistry
- Computer Science
- English
- Further Mathematics
- Geography
- Mathematics
- Physics

Engineering Pathway

Select the qualification size:

- National Foundation Diploma In Engineering (1year)
- 1.5 A Level equivalent
- National Diploma In Engineering (2years)
- 2 A Level equivalent
- National Extended Diploma In Engineering (2year)
- 3 A Level equivalent

Digital Media Pathway

Select the qualification size:

- National Foundation Diploma In Digital Media (1year)
- 1.5 A Level equivalent
- National Diploma In Digital Media (2years)
- 2 A Level equivalent
- National Extended Diploma In Digital Media (2year)
- 3 A Level equivalent

Computing Pathway

Select the qualification size:

- National Foundation Diploma In Information Technology (1year)
- 1.5 A Level equivalent
- National Diploma In Information Technology (2years)
- 2 A Level equivalent
- National Extended Diploma In Information Technology (2year)
- 3 A Level equivalent

**CREATE.
LEARN.
INNOVATE.**



EMPLOYER LED PROJECTS

These will be available to students on the Engineering pathway, and for those on the Creative and Digital pathway. These will be large creative projects that not only link to your specialism but also to the world of work. You will be completing one across each term, with the opportunity to present your finished work at the end of the project to a wide audience. They have been designed with our Employer partners so that you can put your learning into practice. This will be an excellent opportunity to develop your employability skills and to work with others across your specialism. Our employer partners will also be visiting at times to work with you. It is a fantastic opportunity to meet them and make an excellent impression. In the future they will be offering apprenticeships and also be on the lookout for future employees. You will want to impress!

Here at Doncaster UTC we will also be working with you to develop your employability skills. This will be through project work, enrichment opportunities, employer visits as well as in the classroom day to day. Our employer partners have identified these as being the key qualities that they look for when they are recruiting. They will be working with us and you to develop these to ensure that you are the best version of yourself that you can be when you leave us for your future career path.

WORK EXPERIENCE

Time for this is also built into your timetable on a Monday afternoon. This will be a time to explore your career interests and work with employers to gain vital work place experience. We will assist you with setting this up and guide and support you with making your choices. This will start after October half term.

OUR PARTNERS



STANDARDS AND EXPECTATIONS

We expect exceptionally high personal standards from all of our students. This will include their appearance, the way in which they conduct themselves at all times at the UTC and the way in which they interact with one another.

MOBILE PHONES

Students may bring their mobile phone to the UTC for use during the journey to and from school. However, mobile phones are not allowed to be used at any time during the UTC day unless as part of an arranged, teacher led activity.

"We will create a culture of disruption free learning and high expectations."

STARTING AS YOU MEAN TO GO ON

Student expectations:

- Arriving in the correct dress, with the right equipment and a positive 'can do' attitude.
- Completing lesson 'Do Now' tasks set at the beginning of each lesson without prompting.
- Showing respect to every member of our UTC community.
- Treating the Academy buildings and environment with respect.
- Showing tolerance and understanding of difference.
- Being kind to each other.
- Listening to staff and to each other without interrupting.
- Following staff instructions the first time and without argument.
- Meeting all deadlines.

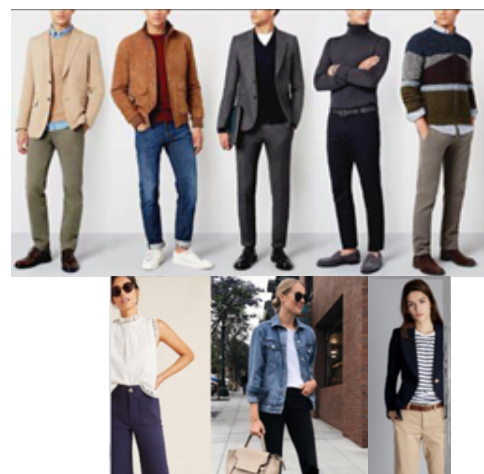
" We become what we want to be by consistently being what we want to become each day."

—
Richard G. Scott

POST 16 DRESS CODE

The dress code for Doncaster UTC and Hall Cross Sixth Form is smart casual, think 'modern office wear'. You should not wear tracksuits / sportswear.

Importantly, (and this is usually an issue for girls) crop tops or low-cut tops which are revealing and tight fitting leggings are not appropriate. Smart fitted jeans / trousers / chinos and appropriate length skirts are fine. Please note that ripped jeans are also not appropriate, and the Principal will have the final decision on whether clothing is suitable or not.



EQUIPMENT INFO

AS WELL AS SUBJECT SPECIFIC EQUIPMENT STUDENTS WILL BE EXPECTED TO BRING THE FOLLOWING EACH DAY:

- BLACK PEN
- RED PEN
- PENCIL
- RULER
- RUBBER
- SHARPENER
- HIGHLIGHTER

EQUIPMENT PACKS WILL BE AVAILABLE TO PURCHASE AT THE UTC

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YOUR
FUTURE!**

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MONEY AND PAYMENTS

The Doncaster UTC operates a no-cash policy. There is no requirement for students to bring money into school.

You will receive a SIMS PAY account for use at the UTC.

You will be sent for September a bespoke login. Here you can manage, top-up and pay for most things using your own user profile.

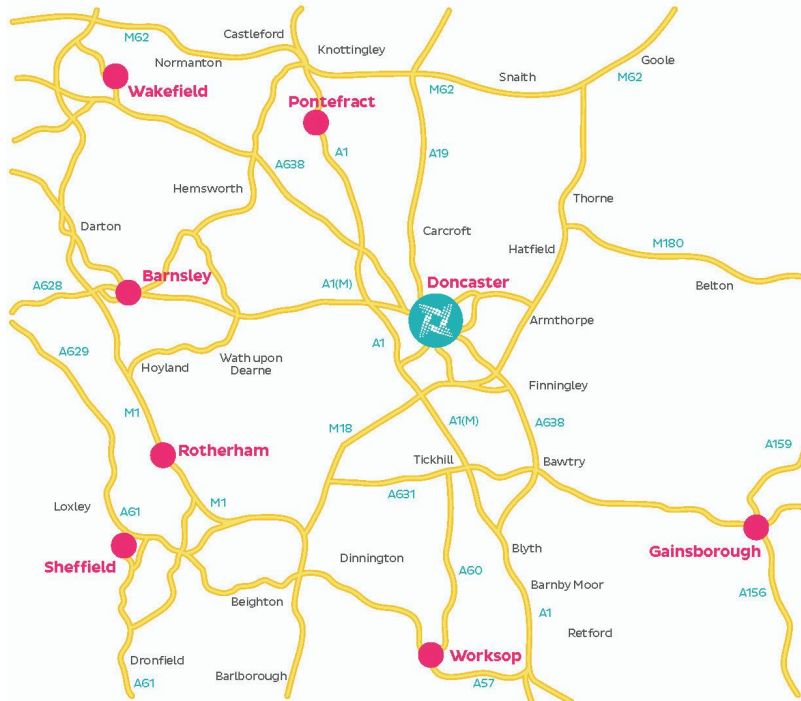
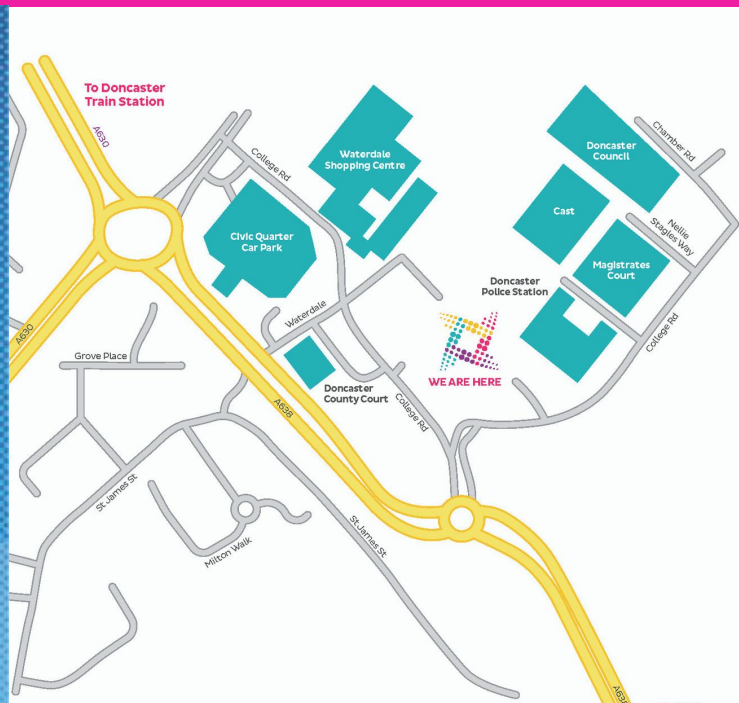
All payments (dinner money, trips, purchases) are made via this website. We recommend £12.50 per week dinner money as a guideline (£2.50 minimum meal deal per day, supplied by our caterers).

BURSARY INFORMATION

Where students have difficulties in paying for educational items or expenses, an application can be made to Doncaster UTC for assistance.

Full details are available on the UTC website in the Financial Support Policy.

info@doncasterutc.co.uk



TRAVEL TO THE UTC

Doncaster UTC is centrally located and accessible via existing local transport links. Doncaster railway station is 600m from the UTC which is a nine-minute walk.

Doncaster is a mainline station and well connected to nearby towns and cities.

Doncaster central bus interchange is located next to the railway station and connects the town to all areas across the borough with regular services throughout the day.

The UTC will be equipped with secure cycle storage facilities for those who wish to make use of the ever extending cycle network throughout Doncaster.

UTC ACADEMIC CALENDAR 2020/21

AUGUST 2020						
Mo		3	10	17	24	31
Tu		4	11	18	25	
We		5	12	19	26	
Th		6	13	20	27	
Fr		7	14	21	28	
Sa	1	8	15	22	29	
Su	2	9	16	23	30	

SEPTEMBER 2020					
Mo		7	14	21	28
Tu	1	8	15	22	29
We	2	9	16	23	30
Th	3	10	17	24	
Fr	4	11	18	25	
Sa	5	12	19	26	
Su	6	13	20	27	

OCTOBER 2020					
Mo		5	12	19	26
Tu		6	13	20	27
We		7	14	21	28
Th	1	8	15	22	29
Fr	2	9	16	23	30
Sa	3	10	17	24	31
Su	4	11	18	25	

NOVEMBER 2020						
Mo		2	9	16	23	30
Tu		3	10	17	24	
We		4	11	18	25	
Th		5	12	19	26	
Fr		6	13	20	27	
Sa		7	14	21	28	
Su	1	8	15	22	29	

DECEMBER 2020					
Mo		7	14	21	28
Tu	1	8	15	22	29
We	2	9	16	23	30
Th	3	10	17	24	31
Fr	4	11	18	25	
Sa	5	12	19	26	
Su	6	13	20	27	

JANUARY 2021					
Mo		4	11	18	25
Tu		5	12	19	26
We		6	13	20	27
Th		7	14	21	28
Fr	1	8	15	22	29
Sa	2	9	16	23	30
Su	3	10	17	24	31

FEBRUARY 2021					
Mo	1	8	15	22	
Tu	2	9	16	23	
We	3	10	17	24	
Th	4	11	18	25	
Fr	5	12	19	26	
Sa	6	13	20	27	
Su	7	14	21	28	

MARCH 2021					
Mo	1	8	15	22	29
Tu	2	9	16	23	30
We	3	10	17	24	31
Th	4	11	18	25	
Fr	5	12	19	26	
Sa	6	13	20	27	
Su	7	14	21	28	








APRIL 2021					
Mo		5	12	19	26
Tu		6	13	20	27
We		7	14	21	28
Th	1	8	15	22	29
Fr	2	9	16	23	30
Sa	3	10	17	24	
Su	4	11	18	25	

MAY 2021						
Mo		3	10	17	24	31
Tu		4	11	18	25	
We		5	12	19	26	
Th		6	13	20	27	
Fr		7	14	21	28	
Sa	1	8	15	22	29	
Su	2	9	16	23	30	

JUNE 2021					
Mo		7	14	21	28
Tu	1	8	15	22	29
We	2	9	16	23	30
Th	3	10	17	24	
Fr	4	11	18	25	
Sa	5	12	19	26	
Su	6	13	20	27	

JULY 2021					
Mo		5	12	19	26
Tu		6	13	20	27
We		7	14	21	28
Th	1	8	15	22	29
Fr	2	9	16	23	30
Sa	3	10	17	24	31
Su	4	11	18	25	

KEY DATES

	School Holidays
	Bank Holidays
	Staff Training - INSET
	Exam Results Days (13th A Level, 20th GCSE)
	Year 9 Start Date
	Year 12 Start Date
	DUTC EVENTS



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