

Thomas Telford School



Charter for Students

July 2026

What does it mean to be a Thomas Telford Student?

The top 10 principles on which Thomas Telford School was built are:

1. Students must be safe at school and be confident they can ask for help when needed.
2. Work hard in your subject areas and be punctual around school.
3. Caring and kindness should be a personal priority for everyone.
4. 'Shine your light' by showcasing and sharing your talents.
5. Respect for each other including tolerance of religions, ethnicities, and ways of life.
6. However small, do what you can to help others.
7. Be proud of yourself and make others proud of you.
8. Bullying will never be tolerated and must always be reported.
9. Violent behaviour will never be tolerated.
10. Remember, you are a Thomas Telford student and will always be a Thomas Telford student.

As a Thomas Telford student, you should be proud to represent the school in all areas of school life. You are responsible for promoting and demonstrating the values above at every opportunity. Thomas Telford School encourages all students to be the very best version of themselves and we will support you to do this whenever possible. **We achieve 'Quality Through Cooperation'.**



What Standards of Behaviour are Expected of Students?

The underlying values Thomas Telford Students are expected to demonstrate are:

- **Respect**
 - **Ambition**
 - **Kindness**
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- To take pride in your appearance: smart black dress shoes, grey or black socks, no jewellery beyond one pair of plain studs, no acrylic nails, no fake eye lashes.
 - To ensure everybody is safe by behaving in a responsible manner.
 - To ensure you are kind and compassionate to others. Bullying will not be tolerated and should be reported immediately.
 - To respect yourself, peers, and teachers, by arriving to school ready to learn.
 - To ensure your mobile phone is not used on-site during the school day; this includes before and after school. Your phone will be confiscated if you are using it.
 - To represent the school appropriately and with pride at all times. This includes your use of social media. Any attempts to post written comments, video, or photo images online, which discredits the School and/or other students, will be dealt with most severely and may lead to you losing your place at the School.
 - To treat the ICT facilities properly and with a high level of care. Downloading and creating inappropriate materials is a serious breach of School rules, which could lead to you losing your place at the School. You should discuss with your parents what inappropriate materials refers to.
 - To ensure you use technology appropriately to assist with your learning. You must use Artificial Intelligence (AI) responsibly, and make it clear when you have used it. You must not use technology to cheat or plagiarise work.
 - To aim for the highest attendance percentage possible. The expectation for student attendance is 98% - 100% across the year.
 - To cooperate and be respectful with staff at all times, so that the best outcome can be achieved.

Students should feel confident about expressing their views about the life and work of the School:

- Students can discuss any problems or concerns with their Personal Tutor, a subject teacher, Deputy Head, or one of the Safeguarding Team including the DSL (Ms Wright)
- Students can ask to see the Headmaster at any time to discuss issues of concern.
- Students may be invited to one of the Headmaster's working lunches where 14 students have an opportunity to express their views about the School and to make recommendations on how the School may be improved.
- Students may be invited to one of the Head of Year's working breakfasts that work in a similar fashion to the Headmaster's lunch.
- Students may also express their views to the Headship team for their Year Group.
- Students will be asked for their views at key points during their education at the School, often through student voice surveys.
- Students can speak to their Personal Tutor on a daily basis.
- The school's Safeguarding Team is outlined below. Students can speak to any of the staff below should they have any concerns or issues.



The poster features a dark red background with a white circular logo in the top left corner containing a profile of a person. The title 'Thomas Telford School Safeguarding Leads' is in white text. Below the title is a white line of text: 'If you have any concerns, speak to one of our Safeguarding Leads straight away.' Four white-bordered portrait photos of staff members are arranged in a row. Below each photo is their name, title, and email address in white text. At the bottom, there is a white line of text: 'You can also approach any member of staff wearing an orange lanyard for help, advice, or support.' and a smaller white line of text: 'All pastoral leads are Level 3 qualified in Safeguarding.'

**Thomas Telford School
Safeguarding Leads**

If you have any concerns, speak to one of our Safeguarding Leads straight away.

Designated Safeguarding Lead	Deputy Safeguarding and CSE Lead	Deputy Safeguarding Lead	Deputy Safeguarding Lead
 Ms Wright CWright@ttsonline.net	 Mr Wrenshall-Jones JWrenshalljones@ttsonline.net	 Mr Womble AWomble@ttsonline.net	 Miss Ricketts ERicketts@ttsonline.net

You can also approach any member of staff wearing an **orange lanyard** for help, advice, or support.

All pastoral leads are Level 3 qualified in Safeguarding.

How will you be rewarded?

Positivity and reward is central to Thomas Telford School. The school uses TTS Points to reward students under the following categories:



- TTS points will be awarded by staff across the school when students demonstrate a TTS value:
 - **Respect**
 - **Ambition**
 - **Kindness**
- TTS points will be reported on each Module Report.
- They will be celebrated at key points in the year when students achieve Bronze, Silver, and Gold status. For each award tier, students will receive additional recognition to mark their achievement.
- The Year 7 student with the most TTS Points receives the annual Headmaster's Award during the annual Summer Achievement evening.
- The students with the most TTS Points in Year 8 to Year 11 will be recognised by Head of Year.
- Additionally, students who receive all 1s (outstanding) in every Module Report category over an academic year will be invited to a special Headmaster's Achievement Assembly in the Summer Term, and receive additional recognition for their efforts.



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Concerns, Suggestions, and Thank Yous

This is your School and we want to hear your opinions and ideas. You may wish to say thank you, share a concern, or suggest an improvement. You can express your views in a range of ways.

You could talk to anyone of the following people:

Your Personal Tutor

Your Head of Year is

Mr Wrenshall-Jones	(Year 7)
Miss Hughes	(Year 8)
Mr Norman	(Year 9)
Ms Wright	(Year 10)
Mr Nicholls	(Year 11)
Mr Bird	(Sixth Form)

Any Other Deputy Head:

Miss Powell
Mrs Flynn
Mrs Evans
Mr Jones

The Headmaster

Mr Ian Rawlings

The Pastoral team for your Year Group

Alternatively, you can complete the form on the reverse of this page and hand it into the School Reception.

Further copies of this form are available from Reception.

Name: Year Group PT:

Please circle below:

Suggestion

Thank You

Concern

If you have a concern or complaint, we will do our utmost to respond within 24 hours. If you need an appointment to see the Headmaster, please tick the box below:

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Yes, please make me an appointment to see the Headmaster

Details:

What changes would you like to see?

Signed: Date: