

Thames High School

Te Kura Tuarua o Te Kauaeranga



Kia kōtahi ai te piki ake, kia ikeike rawa ki te taumata /We grow together to achieve one's true potential

Years 12 - 13 Stationery – 2026

Courses

All subjects at Year 12 and 13 are optional. Students normally study level 2 and 3 subjects.

Course confirmation happens at the start of the year, so it is recommended to come on that day to make sure that the option subjects chosen have been included in your student's timetable.

Stationery requirements:

- Year 12 - 13 taiohi/students require basic stationery items, as below.
- As much learning is completed with a device, the need for stationery is limited.

The following are the basic requirements of what students will need to supply for themselves:



- **Basics** – Black **or** Blue and Green **or** Red Pens, Pencils (HB), Eraser, Ruler, Gluestick
- **Useful** – felt pens, highlighters
- **A Digital Device*** – BYOD (as below). Please refer to the enrolment information or our website about learning with devices. Students may bring their own device; if that is not possible then the school will provide suitable devices (normally Chromebooks) to support learning in their classes.

Level 2 subject requirements

Subject	Requirement
Art	1x A3 Wallet (18N9), 1 x 6B Pencil, eraser, A3 Spiral Bound Visual Diary Students may be required to purchase oil paint sets and other art materials during the year
Biology	1 x A4 Ring binder, 1 x 14B8 Lined Refill or 1 x 1B5 exercise Book
Chemistry	1 x A4 Ring binder, 1 x 14B8 Lined Refill or 1 x 1B5 exercise Book, Set of 5 Dividers (if using ring binder), 2 x Highlighters, 1 x Scientific calculator.
Communication	1 x 1B8 exercise Book
Distance Learning	As required for individual option (to be advised)
Drama	1x14B8 lined refill, 1x Clear file, Plain black T-Shirt, Plain black long pants suitable for movement (e.g. track pants or karate gi)
English	1 x A4 Ring binder, 1 x 14B8 Lined Refill
Fabric Technology	1 x A4 visual diary, 1x A3 Clear file, Coloured Pencils, 1x gluestick, 1 x H2 Pencil, eraser, pencil sharpener.
Food & Hospitality	Clear file folder, refill paper, Blue and Black Pen, a container suitable for hot or cold kai
Furniture	2B Pencil, eraser
Gateway	Pens, 20 leaf A4 Clear file



Geography	1 x 14B8 Lined Refill or 1 x 1B8, 1 Pkt 12 Coloured Pencils, 1 x 2B5, 1 x Clear file (40 leaf)
Health	1 x A4 Ring binder, 1 x 14B8 Lined Refill, 1 set of 5 Dividers
History	1 x 2B5, 1 x Clear file (40 leaf)
Horticulture	2 x 1B5 Exercise Books, 1 x Fine Tip Sharpie (Black)
Te Reo Māori	1 x 14B8 Lined Refill, Dictionary of Modern Maori - P M Ryan, 1 Plastic Envelope, 1 x Clear file (40 leaf)
Mathematics	2 x 1E5 Exercise Book, Graphics Calculator, e.g. Casio FX-9750G II or similar
Statistics	1 x 1E5, Scientific Calculator, e.g. Casio FX82 or similar, 1 x A4 Document Wallet
Mechanical Engineering	2B Pencil, 300mm ruler and an eraser
Music	2x clear file (20 pages), 1x 2B5 OR BYOD device
Outdoor Education	Not Required
Photography	A3 Spiral Bound Visual Diary, 1 x A3 Ring binder with Copy safe Pockets, USB, SD Camera Card
Physical Education	Not Required
Physics	1 x A4 Ringbinder, 1 x 14B8 Lined Refill or 1 x 1B5 Exercise Book, Set of 10 Dividers (if using ring binder), 1 x Highlighter, 1 x Transparent Ruler, Scientific Calculator, e.g. Casio FX82 or similar, Graph Paper, 1 x Protractor, 1 x Green Pen
Science	1 x 1B5 Exercise book, 1 x Fine Tip Sharpie
Visual Arts Design	A3 Visual Dairy, USB, SD Camera Card, Fine Tip Black Ink Pen

Level 3 subject requirements

Subject	Requirement
Art	1x A3 Wallet (18N9), 1 x A3 Visual Diary, 1 x 6B Pencil, Eraser Students may be required to purchase oil paint sets and other art materials throughout the year
Biology	1 x A4 Ring binder, 1 x 14B8 Lined Refill, Set of 10 Dividers or 1x 1B5 Exercise Book, 1 x Highlighter
Chemistry	1 x A4 Ring binder, 1 x 14B8 Lined Refill, Set of 5 Dividers or 1x 1B5 Exercise Book, 2 x Highlighters, Ruler
Communication	1 x 1B8 exercise Book, 1 x A4 Ring binder, 1 x 14B8 Refill
Food & Hospitality	Clear file folder, refill paper, Blue and Black Pen, a container suitable for hot or cold kai.
Distance Learning	As required or individual options (to be advised)
Drama	1 x 14B8 Lined Refill, 1 x Clear file (40 leaf). Plain Black T-Shirt, Plain Black Long-Sleeved T-Shirt, Plain Black Long Leggings (to the ankle)
English	1 x A4 Ring binder, 1 x 14B8 Lined Refill
Fabric Technology	1 x A4 visual diary, 1x A3 Clear file, Coloured Pencils, 1x gluestick, 1 x H2 Pencil, eraser, pencil sharpener.
Furniture	2B Pencil, eraser
Geography	1 x 2B5, 1 x pkt 12 coloured pencils, 1 x Clear file (40 leaf)
Health	1 x A4 Ring binder, 1 x 14B8 Lined Refill, 1 x set of 5 Dividers
History	1 x 2B5 Exercise Book, 1 x Clear file (40 pocket)
Horticulture	1 x 1B5 Exercise Book, 1 x Fine Tip Sharpie (Black)
Mathematics - Calculus	2 x 1E5 Exercise Book, Graphics Calculator, e.g. Casio FX-9750G II or similar
Mathematics - Statistics	1 x 1E5 Exercise Book, 1 x 1B5, Scientific Calculator, e.g. Casio FX82 or similar.
Mechanical Engineering	2B Pencil, eraser

Music	2 x clear file (20 pages), 1x 2B5 OR a device on which to keep a digital file.
Outdoor Education	Nothing Required
Photography	A3 Spiral Bound Visual Diary, USB, SD Camera Card
Physical Education	Not Required
Physics	1 x A4 Ring binder, 1 x 14B8 Lined Refill, Set of 10 Dividers or 1x 1B5 Exercise Book, 1 x Highlighter, 1 x Transparent Ruler, Scientific Calculator, Graph Paper, Green Pen, Protractor (optional)
Science	2 x 1B5 Exercise Book
Visual Art Design	A3 Visual Diary, USB, SD Camera Card, Fine Tip Black Ink Pen



BYOD – bring your own device [for learning](#).

Students may bring their own suitable device for learning. Having their **own device** means taiohi (young people) can use the device that they prefer and increases the amount of time a device is accessible for learning, both at school and at home. More about the advantages of BYOD is on our website.

Suitable devices are devices with a **keyboard** and **reasonable screen size**, at least 30 cm 11.6" (not a smartphone or tablet without a dedicated keyboard). This means they can use the device for reasonable periods, with ease of typing and without undue eyestrain. See below for more details about recommended devices.

Taiohi/students can access the internet using the wireless network on site, and access learning materials provided by the school. Students will be required to register a learning device to access the WiFi; phones will not be able to access WiFi.



While taiohi may bring their own device, the school provides suitable devices (normally Chromebooks) to support learning in their class.

Note - The use of phones is **not allowed** at school – taiohi **do not need to bring** phones to school. If they are needed for out-of-school communication, phones must stay in their school bag (switched off) or be handed to the SSO for safekeeping. Phones seen at school will be confiscated and parents may be required to collect them.

Recommendations for suitable devices

- A laptop (or equivalent hybrid) – Chromebooks, Windows laptops, and Macbooks may be used.
- At least 11.6" (30 cm) screen size – reduces eye strain and allows a better reading experience.
- At least 4GB RAM, and 32GB eMMC storage is also an advantage (for offline use).
- Dual band Wireless Connectivity, 802.11n or higher
- 8-hour battery life from one charge (minimum); devices are expected to be brought to school fully charged to school (there is a limited number of power points).
- Light and robust (i.e., tough to take the everyday knocks in a school)
- A protective carrying case (to help take the knocks)
- Opt for your preferred operating system - Google Chrome, Microsoft Windows, Apple Mac OS
- Up-to-date Antivirus Software
- The ability to install and run the Microsoft Office Suite is an advantage.
- Office 365 is free for Thames High School students with the Microsoft Student Advantage. There is no need to buy an Office 365 subscription.

Note: Laptops should last 3-5 years (varies as some senior students may need a higher specification device for some courses). Take advice from your retailer when choosing a device. [Follow this link to a BYOD online store](#) that has some useful ideas for suitable devices for learning.