

4 March 2026

To: Year 9 Parent/Carers

Dear Parent/Carer

Re: Fidget Toys

At Taverham High School, we are committed to supporting every student and ensuring that their individual needs are met in the most effective and understanding way possible. Our priority is to provide an appropriate and focused learning environment for all our students.

Recently, we have noticed an increase in the number of toys labelled as *fidget toys* being brought into school. In many cases, these items are not suitable for use in a learning environment and can become a distraction. As a reminder, only specific stress-relief items that have been approved in discussion with Mrs Gray or Mr Day in the inclusion team may be used in school.

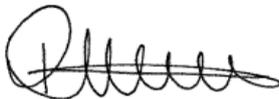
Further to my previous communication in 2024 regarding this matter, to reiterate, only fidget toys that are included in a student's Student Support Plan or SEN Plan are permitted in school. Items that are heavy, sharp, unsafe, or otherwise distracting are not allowed. Any fidget toy brought into school without an authorised fidget toy pass will be confiscated, as will any inappropriate objects used during lessons.

Students who have been authorised to use a fidget toy must use it responsibly. Approved fidget toys must not be shared with other students or used in any way that distracts from learning. If a student misuses their fidget toy, permission to use it may be removed.

If you feel your child/ward may require a particular fidget toy/object to support their concentration or regulation, please contact Mr Day, Inclusion Lead, who will be able to assess their needs and authorise a suitable learning device for use in lessons.

Thank you for your understanding and continued support.

Yours faithfully



Miss R Andrews
Head of Year 9 and Head of Drama