

Letter 2 from Charlie

Dear Year 6

I am writing to you to tell you how excited we all are to meet you in September. Life must be so strange for you all not being at school and with your friends, but do not worry we will be here to help you when you come to Shavington.

You are probably feeling excited and maybe a bit nervous, like I was. Some people also feel a little scared on the first day of school because of all the new things, new teachers and new friends. But I want to tell you that it is perfectly normal to feel nervous. Just remember to stay positive and remember that your new classmates are also probably feeling nervous too.

High schools are often a lot bigger than primary schools; this certainly was the case for me and there was only one other person from my primary school who came to Shavington Academy with me. But do not worry about getting lost because that is why we, the transition mentors, are here. You will be given a map of the school and we will be here to show you around. Trust me, you will soon learn your way to the different classrooms. Never be afraid to ask for advice because we were all new once and needed a guiding hand.

I was nervous when I first started high school, but the Learning Mentors I had were very friendly and helpful to me. You will find that nothing is too much trouble and the school community is very important to us.

To settle into high school a good piece of advice would be organisation. Copy out your timetable and keep it on a wall or your fridge at home. You are now responsible for keeping and remembering your PE kit, books, and homework. Seeing your timetable at home will remind you of the days you need your PE kit and food technology ingredients! Always bring your pencil case fully equipped, you will need a scientific calculator and a pair of compasses! Shavington Academy ease you into homework over the first term and then after that there will be homework for all subjects. Keep on top of it and you will be fine.

Challenge yourself from day one and look at joining many of the clubs that the Academy has to offer. I have enjoyed drum lessons over the last year, but there are many more. There are many different types of clubs from music, sport, garden kitchen, knitting and many more. Joining a club is a brilliant way to get involved in school life. It is a great way to make friends with pupils from other forms and year groups.

But most importantly, be yourself! Relax and enjoy your new school life and in no time at all, it will feel like you have been here forever. This time next year, you will be showing the new intake around the school.

Enjoy your summer break and we all look forward to meeting you soon.

Charlie

I went to Bridgemore Primary School