

Letter 1 From Xen

Dear Year 6s (Year 7s to be!),

I hope you are well and safe. As you are probably aware, as of the current circumstances you cannot come for your Inset Days at Shavington so I hope this letter will help you feel comfortable moving up to High School and solve any worries you might have. I and the other mentors are excited to meet you and help you settle in nicely.

The Transition Mentors are here to help if you get lost or do not know what to do. It does not matter whether you get lost in the first couple of weeks because it is a new environment that you don't know. No one will shout at you, if you come and find one of your mentors, they will be happy to help.

Joining High School can be nerve raking at first but when you leave those doors when you are in Year 11 you will have developed not just your education but as a person and probably meet your friends for life! I was worried about homework because I know it is something teachers talk about but you don't get a lot of homework at first and if you can't do it then bring in a note or send an email to your teacher.

My top tips for transitioning from Primary School to High School would be:

- 1.Be organised and prepared – Create a list of stationery and uniform so that you do not forget anything. If you are organised it also means if you do it early then you don't have to stress about it.
- 2.Dont be afraid to ask for help or advice – Mentors are there to help and tell you everything you need to know about high school.
- 3.Make new friends – Mix with other people from different Primary Schools because if you are friends with everyone then it will be easier to make new friends.

One way of making new friends is going to clubs. At lunchtime and after school there are many clubs such as: Dance, Football, Tennis, Badminton, Dodgeball, Basketball, Netball, Indoor Athletics etc.

I hope this helps you!

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My primary school was The Berkeley Academy