

June 2023

Dear parents and carers

Re: Lymm High School Transition Day

It is with great pleasure that we welcome you and your child on the start of their journey with us at Lymm High School. We are delighted that you have entrusted us with their continued education and promise that we will do all that we possibly can to ensure that they have a successful and rewarding time with us. We cannot wait to have them with us to enjoy their Transition Day where they will have the opportunity to meet lots of new friends and our staff.

Along with Ms Katie Yates (SENDCo) and our Student Services team, we have already been working hard, planning for a smooth transition from Year 6 into Year 7. Over the last few weeks, they have been in and out of primary schools getting to know our new Year 7s, as well as giving the students some familiar and friendly faces that we hope they will recognise on Transition Day.

Whilst our Transition Day has been planned and calendared for Wednesday 5th July, as you will have seen from the latest announcements on industrial strike action, we have had to make the decision to move our Transition Day. We want to ensure that our new Year 7s truly get to experience what a typical school day at Lymm High School is like and therefore, after consulting with primaries, we will be moving our Transition Day to **Tuesday 4th July**.

Whilst the date has changed, the schedule has not! We have a fantastic day planned for students which will include an opportunity to spend time with their form tutor, Head of Year and to sample a range of subjects in different lessons throughout the day. A letter will be sent early next week indicating the form group that your child been placed in. Please see overleaf a breakdown of key information relating to specific arrangements to be aware of on the day.

For **parents**, we are holding a '**Transition Surgery**'. This will be held on **Wednesday 5th July** in the **Main Hall between 6pm and 7pm** and will allow you to meet our Head of Year 7, receive key information about Lymm High School, as well as information from our uniform supplier Touchline. There will also be staff available to help in answering any pressing questions which will support with your child's transition.

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Transition Day arrangements:

- Your child should wear their usual primary school uniform and will be expected to make their own way to Lymm High School.
- They should arrive between 8.00am and 8.15am.** Staff and Pastoral Managers will greet them at the bus stops and take them onto the English yard where they can meet the other members of their year group.
- Your child will need to bring a fully stocked pencil case, a drink and a snack, please can your child bring a pair of trainers in their school bag.
- They will need to bring a packed lunch with them on the day** (please be aware that we have a number of pupils with nut allergies and so therefore we are a nut free school).
- Students getting the bus or walking home will be accompanied to the bus stops and dismissed at 3.10pm. However, if you are collecting your child, please meet them on the English yard at **3pm**.

It is important to mention that we typically do not allow parents to pick up and drop off on the front carpark between 7.45-8.15am and 2.30-3.30pm unless they have specific authorisation from school. This is to support us in maintaining student safety at these particularly busy times. We will be waiving this for Year 6 parents on Transition Day as we recognise this may already feel like quite a nerve-wracking morning/afternoon! However, we ask for your support with this from September.

Please rest assured that the transition programme has been planned very carefully so as not to overwhelm or confuse students (or parents!) at what can be an exciting, yet unnerving time. All staff assigned to the transition process are very experienced and know the school well. They will liaise with the primary schools to collate information but, should you require any further information or have any concerns, please do not hesitate to contact us.

There is a link at the end of this letter to a Microsoft Form. We would be grateful if you could complete this to allow us to gather confirmation of your child's attendance on transition day as well as emergency contact information for the day itself.

Finally, if for any reason you are considering not taking up the place you have been offered, we would be very grateful if you could let the Local Authority Admissions Team know as soon as possible. We have a long list of families who were very disappointed not to gain a place for September and, on their behalf, we would really appreciate being able to let them know if a place does become available.

Once again, we look forward to meeting your child and hope they are as excited as we are about what the next few years at Lymm High School may hold.

<https://forms.office.com/e/RMSn0Af64n>

Yours faithfully,



Mrs Emma Feast
Deputy Headteacher