

HORIZON TRANSITION NEWSLETTER

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Welcome to the first Transition Newsletter 2023 from Horizon Community College. We do hope your child and your family are excited and looking forward to the move to secondary school.

We hope you found our '[Welcome Booklet](#)' a useful source of information and you have visited our transition area and parent hub of the [College website](#) where you will find up-to-date information about Horizon Community College.

A huge thank you for your swift response to completing the Horizon admission form, we have had over 83% submitted! If you have not yet completed yours, please get it back to us as soon as possible. You will find the link here: <https://forms.office.com/e/MGEkzC7L2Z>

We appreciate that the move to secondary school can either cause excitement or worry, or maybe even both! This is completely natural, and we are here to help settle any nerves. When discussing the move to Horizon with your child, try and look for all the positive experiences that your child will encounter such as new subjects, new friends, enrichment activities and much more. Using our website is a great tool to help with this.

If you, or your child, do have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us using the email transition@horizoncc.co.uk and we will be on hand to answer your queries.

Exciting Transition Events

Transition Evening: On Thursday 8th June 2023 we would like to invite you and your child to visit the Horizon Theatre. We will share with you, pivotal information about starting your journey at Horizon. Mrs Huddart, the College Principal, Miss Sheldon, Assistant Principal, KS3 Pastoral and Miss Cooper, Head of Year 7, will share with you information about the school day, uniform expectations, catering facilities, enrichment activities and much more. This presentation will be no more than 45 mins and will also be videoed and placed on our college website for you to view at your convenience. The presentation will take place at 4:30pm and then repeated at 6:00pm to enable as many families as possible to attend.

We will also have available our pre-loved uniform – a selection of pre-loved uniform which has been kindly donated to college by our families. All we ask is a £1 donation per item which we then donate to the charity LimbBo Foundation.

Please click the link below to reserve your seats at this event, where possible we ask that this is limited to two seats per family.

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/y6-transition-evening-2023-intake-tickets-638107295097>

Transition Day 1: We are very much looking forward to meeting your child on their transition day. Your child will either attend on Friday 7th July 2023 or Monday 10th July 2023.

Students should arrive at 9:00am at the front of the college, in their primary school uniform, where a member of Horizon staff will help them to find their way into the college building. Students will spend the day with their peers, be provided with a packed lunch (or they may prefer to bring their own) and the day will conclude at 2:45pm. Students will be dismissed from the front of college, and it is your choice how your child travels home.

The day your child should attend is dependent on their primary school and is shown below:

Friday 7 th July 2023	Monday 10 th July 2023
Birdwell Primary School	Athersley South Primary School
Carlton Primary Academy	Burton Road Primary School
Dodworth St John's C of E Primary Academy	Cudworth Churchfield Primary School
High View Primary Learning Centre	Dinnington Community Primary School
Holy Rood Catholic Primary School	Ecclesfield Primary School
Joseph Locke Primary School	Gawber Primary School
Meadstead Primary Academy	Gooseacre Primary School
Oakwell Rise Primary Academy	Hunningley Primary School
Outwood Primary Academy Littleworth Grange	Jump Primary School
Penistone St John's (VA) Primary School	Keresforth Primary School
Shawlands Primary School	Kings Oak Primary Learning Centre
Silkstone Primary School	Oakhill Primary Academy
St Helen's Primary Academy	Parkside Primary Academy
St Mary's CE Primary School	Queens Road Academy
Summer Lane Primary School	The Forest Academy
Tankersley St Peter's CofE (Aided) Primary School	Upperwood Academy
The Mill Academy	Wiltorpe Primary School
Ward Green Primary School	Wombwell Park Street Primary School
	Worsbrough Bank End Primary
	Worsbrough Common Primary School

Transition Day 2: Year 7 students will commence their Horizon journey on Tuesday 5th September 2023, their first official day on roll at Horizon Community College. They will be the only students in college on this day. They will be guided and supported to allow them to adapt to their new surroundings, meet members of staff and settle into life at Horizon. The Year 7 school day commences at 8:30am and concludes at 3:00pm. The buses which serve the college will run on this day, you can find bus timetables on the college website. We very much look forward to welcoming them on this day, wearing their Horizon uniform with pride and look forward to celebrating 100% attendance.

A message to our future students - Introduce Yourself to The Y7 Team

The Year 7 team would love to know a little bit about you before you join the Horizon community. Why not send us an email to transition@horizoncc.co.uk telling us about your hobbies, your interests, your hopes, ambitions, and worries (if you have any) for starting at Horizon.

Or if you prefer to write a letter then please take a photo of it and then email it to the address above.

Please include your full name and primary school in the email or letter.

Rest assured that we will read each email/letter and reply in due course.

We look forward to hearing from you.

Look out for the Horizon Transition Newsletter 2 in June, where we will introduce key staff and all things rewards and trips!

Miss F Cooper

Head of Year 7