

Transitioning to Secondary School

- ✓ Ensure you have visited the school at open evenings for example. Ask for extra visits for you and your child if you would like this.
- ✓ Check the school website, understand what uniform is needed, how the school day is planned and homework expectations and policies
- ✓ Encourage your child to go to any summer clubs on offer at the school. They will participate in transition sessions in the summer term with their class.
- ✓ Help organise your child with the right school equipment, pens, PE kit, bag and books, they may need a locker in school.
- ✓ Label all clothing and property-lots of uniform is lost in the first week of term!
- ✓ Familiarise yourself with who will be your child's tutor, which school 'house' they will be in, who and how you will speak to them if you have concerns, via phone or email or appointment..
- ✓ Familiarise yourself with any online payment systems-you may have to pay online for lunch
- ✓ Print out their timetable and refer to it to help with resources for lessons such as cookery list, homework, when to wash the pe kit!
- ✓ How will they get to school? Will they be getting the bus, cycling, walking with friends or will you be driving. Think about the length of time they will need to get there early enough-practice the journey over the summer holidays.

-Please contact me Sophie Brown, Parent Support Adviser via your child's Head teacher if you have further concerns or require some advice and support and your child will be attending Commonwealth.