

Year 6-7 Transition Parents' Forum Feedback 02.12.13

What Went Well		Even Better If	
Please state what you/your children liked...	...and why	Please state what you felt could have been better...	...and how this might be achieved
Two day transition	Making own way on second day	Supervision on buses on transition days	? Bus monitors (training) Year 11 and Sixth Form students will now be trained and be on the buses all the time.
Parentmail weekly overview		Keep parents informed about streaming in subjects and the timing involved	Timeline for parents and children to follow. Try and promote as a positive thing. New booklet has key dates in
Opening up & Yr 7 clubs to current Yr 6	Helped children to familiarise themselves with surroundings	Map of school in planner	Actioned and will be in the 2014-15 version
Sport at HBK days		Please keep website up to date	Links on the home page for Y6 and Y7 parents. Lower School Link now on the home page
Open Morning and Evening	Existing students were positive about the school. Now allow current Yr 7s to come along and talk about their experiences.	Incorporate existing HBK pupils in talks to current Yr 6	
Two-week timetable	Gives variety of subjects <u>but</u> can be lack of continuity/consistency because don't always get the same teacher.	More consistency in choices/judgements from Primary School.	Closer liaison with feeder schools More explicit letters laying out our expectations for all schools. Also key dates and what parents should be doing on the website
Joint form Yr 8/7		? Second language at Yr 9 Language choice at Yr 6	
Good presentations		Ideas of what will be covered in each subject.	Put on website Will be in the booklet for which there will be an electronic version on the website

Uniform - better impression		Homework projects could have opportunities to extend, investigate further. More guidance needed.	Clarify where homework is done and how. Ensure it is given back, with feedback, in a reasonable time.
Transition – taster day 2 – going on bus.	Comforted made first day easier and knew where to go and what to expect	Not so many ‘splits’ in Yr 7.	Being addressed
Communication with tutors very good		Communication about rewards etc.	Put on website
Yr 6 Sports Festival		Lunchtime arrangements – not enough time to eat, can’t take bags in, nowhere to sit.	Communication about what’s on offer. Split lunch time might help. Already on the website, now easier to find with Home Page link
Mrs Darbyshire very helpful		Homework Club after school?	Will investigate need and ability to offer this.
Mixed tutor groups		Open evening – chaotic, can children attend?	Clarify if children can come. Will now state on the letter which goes home
School nurse	Good communication	PAC directions/navigation	
		Tutors evening – letter to meet tutor	Check letter? Communication
		Primary schools making promises about form groups	Ask primaries not to make promises about tutor groups. More explicit letters laying out our expectations for all schools.
		Email to website – ask County Council to add link on March confirmations	
		5’s not being communicated but could go on the website Website	Better navigation and should be sorted once there is online reporting next academic year.

		Extra-curricular activities Bell's Gone – What's On?	Through form tutors – too daunting at start of term. 'How to.....' Addressed through the survival Booklet
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