

A Very Warm Welcome to TGS

Please help yourself to refreshments and meet with staff.

We will start our presentation soon.

There will also be an opportunity to meet later and leave any feedback/questions.

Welcome to our Transition Information Evening



Head Students

Freya & Charlie (in 2018)



Mr Andrew Parkinson

Headteacher

Transition Information Evening: Outcomes

- ***A Warm Welcome***- meeting the team and key staff.
- What to expect on the transition day.
- Joining something special - what is TGS all about?
- Pastoral care and how we will be supporting your child.
- Top tips on how to prepare for September 2024.

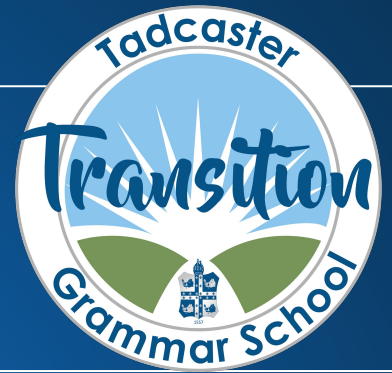
Transition Team

Mrs Ros Knapton -Transition SLT Link

Mrs Nici Clarke - Transition Lead

Transition Day

Thursday 4th July 2024



- Opportunity for students to travel to school on buses or get dropped off and practise September routines
- All students will be greeted by staff - they will be very visible wearing jackets!
- Students will be in form groups for the day and have a chance to meet new students

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Thursday 4th July 2024



- We suggest you bring a snack for break time
- Lunch is a chance to meet up with others- Students can bring a packed lunch or some cash (we recommend £3)
- If your child has FSM - lunch will be provided
- Students should wear their primary uniform. Please consider a sun hat and sun cream if it remains warm
- Please ensure your child to bring a water bottle - they will be able to refill throughout the day

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- Students will have a series of taster lessons and new exciting activities in specialist classrooms.
- Please ensure your child brings some writing materials - a simple pencil case

Welcome

Mr Paul Betts - Year 7 SLT link

Mrs Claire Kenny - Year 7 Leader

Mr Ben Evans - Year 7 Pastoral Leader

Year 7 Team

Joining Something Special- Life at TGS

If we can work together, we are respectful and can take responsibility for our learning so we can grow, be ambitious and be resilient in our learning and succeed..”

BE AN OUTSTANDING LEARNER
BE YOUR BEST SELF

AMBITIOUS learners:

- Are **fully focussed** and **ready** to work straight away.
- **Actively listen** to the teacher and others.
- **Participate** fully in their learning. **Ask** and **answer questions**.

RESILIENT learners:

- **Give everything a go**; see **mistakes** as an opportunity to improve.
- Show **maximum effort** and have a **positive attitude** at all times.
- **Respond to feedback** in order to improve.

RESPONSIBLE learners:

- Arrive **on time** and are **fully equipped** for the lesson.
- Hand all their work in **on time**.
- Always **behave** and **act in a safe manner** for themselves and others.

RESPECTFUL learners:

- Take **pride** in the **presentation** of their work and themselves.
- **Follow instructions** and are **considerate, polite** and **tolerant**.
- **Look after** the school **environment**.

Check your Values

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BE AN OUTSTANDING LEARNER

Check Your Values

- BE KIND
- BE CONSISTENT
- BE AMBITIOUS
- BE RESPECTFUL
- BE RESILIENT
- BE RESPONSIBLE

BE YOUR BEST SELF

*Language of the
family*

Keeping it simple

*Prioritising what is
important and
that everybody
can try to do*

Our Core Staff Values

1. Students considered first
2. High expectations - no limitations
3. The optimum curriculum experience for each student
4. The optimum support for each student

‘We prepare students for life beyond school by supporting them develop as individuals’.

School Vision:

Each individual should also be *able to achieve fulfilment*
in their current and future lives.

Pastoral Care :

*How we will be
supporting your child*

What is Pastoral Care?

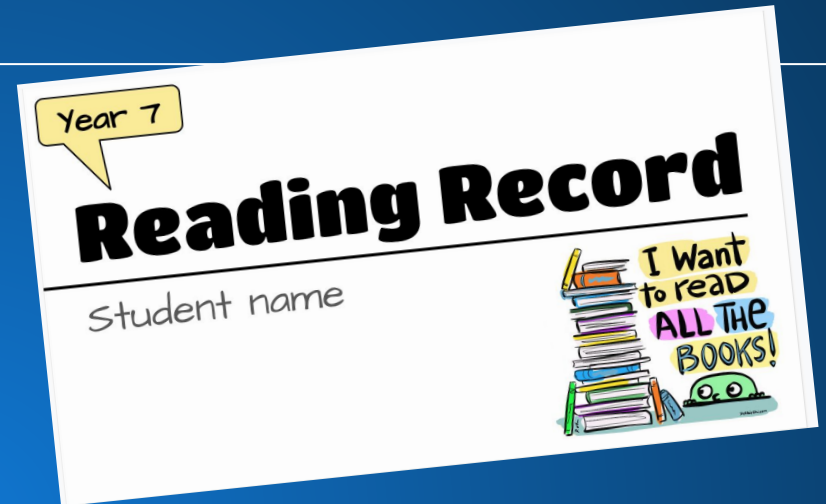
- Focuses on looking after the *social and emotional wellbeing* of students
- How students *feel* (in the short and long term) has a direct impact on their learning
- TGS echoes life in the family - we want to build this partnership work from the start

Settling in at TGS

- Form tutors-Daily contact
- Period 1 programme
- Including Team building activities, personal development day
- Year 12 buddy programme

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- Year 12 Reading mentors
- House competitions
- Lunchtime clubs
- After school clubs
- Year 7 educational visits
and residential
opportunities





If our young people are in good health mentally and physically, they are better able to cope and when they feel positive, they are more open to new ideas, creativity and change, making them more effective and innovative in the classroom.

Please speak to your tutor, Pastoral Leader or Year Leader and have a chat or email them if you have any concerns about your wellbeing or the wellbeing of someone you know. You can also check out these useful links



[Teen sleep hub](#)

[Anxiety/Stress factsheets](#)

Wellbeing

External services working with in school:
Just B
Wellbeing in Mind Team

Tutor programme of support

You will find a number of useful websites to help manage stress/anxiety:

[Managing Exam Stress](#)

[Shout text service](#)

[The Mix](#)

[Relaxation Tips for Positive Wellbeing](#)



Be Your Best Self

Top Tips for September



- Your child may be apprehensive before joining us, this is completely normal
- Encourage students to speak to their form tutor if they have any concerns
- Help students to get into a school/home routine
- Discussing homework and making time to complete homework

Top Tips for September



- (Photo) copy your child's timetable and put it somewhere centrally in the house - this helps to ensure students are prepared with books, PE kit, ingredients for example. They will be sent spare copies.
- Attend our Parents Information evening in September
- Engage and use school Apps - Class Charts - logins to follow.

Helpful Information for Students (and parents/carers!)

Top tips for Year 7 students to prepare for starting TGS:

- 1 Tadcaster Grammar School  Make sure you get in a good sleep routine a couple of weeks before you join us so you are prepared for the school day.
- 2 Tadcaster Grammar School  Set an alarm each morning.
- 3 Tadcaster Grammar School  Be prepared - always check your timetable and pack your bag the night before so you don't have to rush around in the morning. Check your uniform lists on the website with parents/ carers.
- 4 Tadcaster Grammar School  Always bring a reading book to school/ try to read for at least 10 minutes each day.
- 5 Tadcaster Grammar School  Practice the journey to and from school e.g. walking to the bus stop, agree a time you should arrive home.
- 6 Tadcaster Grammar School  Always ask staff if you are unsure of anything, your tutor will be happy to answer any questions or concerns you may have.
- 7 Tadcaster Grammar School  Practice getting ready for school - wearing a tie might be new to you.
- 8 Tadcaster Grammar School  Make a list of things you need to bring to school.

BACK TO SCHOOL

Online Safety Tips for Children

Wow, it's September already! The month when autumn officially starts and ... oh yeah, the beginning of a new school year. Every cloud has a silver lining though! Another term means new friends to make, different stuff to learn, fresh online trends to jump on and exciting new games to play on your phone, computer or console. We've compiled a list of our top tips to ensure that - whether you're going online to chat, research things or just have fun - you can do it safely.

Be cautious with your profile

Be careful not to give out too much info on your social media or gaming profiles. Details like your full name, address or school's name could all help strangers to actually find you online. A trusted adult can help you make your profile safer.

Lock your devices

Taking your phone or tablet to school? Turn on password protection on it. It keeps your private info safe and stops anyone accessing your device without permission. Passwords should be memorable to you - but difficult for anyone else to guess. Ask a trusted adult to write it down for you so you don't forget it!

Be smart with screen time

Too much screen time, especially just before bed, can affect your quality of sleep. Losing sleep, or not sleeping well enough, messes with your concentration and energy levels. Try muting notifications so you don't get pinged late at night: you'll feel fresher and more focused the next day.

Know how to deal with bullies

Sadly there are people online who enjoy picking on other users. If you ever feel like you're being bullied online - by anyone, not just someone from school - talk to a trusted adult about it. Together, you can discuss possible steps, such as blocking or reporting the person who's targeting you.

Manage online relationships wisely

Most people in a relationship chat to their partner online. Just be mindful that once you send a pic or message (even if it's private), you no longer control who else might see it. Messaging someone you've never actually met - and who might not be who they say - is definitely best avoided.

React well to inappropriate content

When you're researching something online, there's always a chance of finding content that makes you feel uncomfortable or upset. If this happens, you can report it as inappropriate and (hopefully) get it taken down. Tell a trusted adult what happened: they'll help you decide what to do next.

Report offensive in-game chat

If you game online with your mates, you'll know things can get competitive and heated on the in-game chat. Playing against people you don't know (especially if they're older) raises the risk of offensive comments and even threats. Our advice? Find out how to block or mute those bad losers.

Learn to spot fake news

If you're looking into a topic for homework or a project, be careful not to get taken in by fake news: content that's deliberately created to mislead people. Check the story with credible sources, like the BBC or Sky News. Trust your instincts, too - if it seems too unbelievable to be true, it's probably fake.

Keep it 'real' with online friends

Everyone enjoys adding friends and followers on social media. It's important, though, that the people you interact with online really are your friends. If they're just random people you've connected with to increase your contacts, you don't know if they could be trolls or bullies (or worse).



No need to worry



Further Information

If you would like to discuss anything with our team, we have representatives from:

- Year Leader/Pastoral Support/Form tutors
- Safeguarding
- Uniform
- Chromebook information
- Pupil premium and FSM
- First aid /Medical Team

Useful Information- Transition on TGS Website



The screenshot shows the Tadcaster Grammar School website. The header features the school's crest with the motto "Be Your Best Self" and the year "1557". A navigation menu includes links for Parents, Information, Curriculum, Safeguarding, Joining TGS, Sixth Form, and Contact. The main content area is titled "Year 6 Transition" and includes a circular logo with the text "Tadcaster Transition Grammar School". A welcome message states: "Welcome to the Transition section of our website! We hope that you find this page useful during this transition period. Here you will find everything you need to know to help you prepare for starting Tadcaster Grammar School in September. This page will be updated periodically with new information and key members of staff – please keep checking for these updates." Below this is a section titled "Getting to know each other..." with four photographs of the school building and grounds. At the bottom, there is a cookie notice and social media icons for Twitter, Google+, and Facebook.

Tadcaster Grammar School
Be Your Best Self
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Parents Information Curriculum Safeguarding Joining TGS Sixth Form Contact

Year 6 Transition

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Tadcaster Transition Grammar School

Getting to know each other...

We have excellent and well established relationships with the primary schools within our catchment area and beyond.

We use cookies to ensure that we give you the best experience on our website. [Learn more](#) [Got it](#)

open morning

open evening





Tadcaster
Grammar School

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Useful Information- Keeping in touch

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Information about school buses



**Thank you for joining us
and starting on this
journey at TGS**