



De La Salle School

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Dear Parent / Carer,

Welcome

I would like to start by offering you a very warm welcome to our Lasallian community and thanking you for choosing De La Salle for the next stage of your child's education. I look forward to working alongside you to recognise each of our new students as the wonderful individual they are: each with their own hopes, dreams and aspirations.

This home-school relationship will be the bedrock of your child's education and, the stronger this relationship, the greater your child's chances of success in the future.

What happens now?

As a school, we recognise how important the transition from primary to secondary school is and we are keen to make the journey as smooth and enjoyable as possible to ensure your child has a wonderful start as a young Lasallian. I have highlighted below some of the key stages of that journey.

Stage 1 - Information

With this letter, you will find a detailed booklet, containing lots of relevant information and essential documents which must be signed and returned to us at school, either by post or by dropping in to main reception. **Could these please be returned to De La Salle by Wednesday 17th May.**

Stage 2 – Contact with Primary School

Over the coming weeks, our in-school transition team will be contacting your child's primary school to learn more personalised information about them. We want every child to have a great fresh start with us, but it is really helpful to provide a clear and honest picture of them before they arrive.

Stage 3 – Updates

We will write to you at key points over the next months to keep you informed of what is happening, chasing up any additional information we need and getting things ready for your child joining us. The year group will be led by Mr G Fletcher (Head of Year) and Mrs K Nesbo (Pastoral Support Manager).

Stage 4 – Transition Week

Unlike most secondary schools, we have a full week of transition rather than a single day. Feedback from parents and students has been incredibly positive about this and how effective it has been in helping our new Lasallian students feel happy and comfortable in joining our community.

This year the transition week will take place from **Monday 3rd July through to Friday 7th July**. All the information you and your child will need for Transition Week will be sent out nearer the time.

You can perform miracles by touching the hearts of those entrusted to your care.

Stage 5 – Starting Secondary School

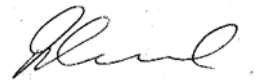
Our new students will join us on **Tuesday 5th September**, with school starting as usual at 8.30am. This will hopefully be the start of an exciting and successful 5 years of Lasallian education and a lifetime as a member of the Lasallian Community.

I realise there is a lot of information here but we are keen for you to work with us to ensure your child has the best start to secondary school. If at any point, you have any questions or concerns then please just contact the school and one of the transition team will be more than happy to help you.

In the meantime, thank you once again for choosing De La Salle and we look forward to welcoming you and your child into the Lasallian family.

Welcome to De La Salle!

Yours sincerely,



Andrew Rannard
Headteacher