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Transition

2019–2020



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Transition Process

2020 Diary Dates

Tuesday 30th June	Transition Day (All Year 6 students)
Wednesday 1st July	Transition Day (All Year 6 students)
Tuesday 30th June	New Parents' Information Evening
Wednesday 1st July	New Parents' Information Evening

We understand that the move from primary to secondary education can seem a daunting transition. We are committed to making this process as smooth as possible for our students. There are a range of projects and events that take place over the academic year to ensure the best possible outcome for your child. Letters regarding each event will be distributed via feeder primary schools throughout the academic year and published on our website.

OPEN EVENING

We hope our annual Open Evening will provide you with the opportunity to explore the campus and meet the staff. Headteacher, Mr W Jenkins, will open the evening by introducing the aims and ethos of the College.

TASTER SESSIONS—HORIZONS PROJECT

We offer a series of subject taster sessions to students in Year 5 and 6 throughout the academic year. The sessions are intended to provide a positive experience of secondary school and help students to become more familiar with the College in the run up to moving.

PRIMARY VISITS

During April through to June HCC staff, accompanied by a number of Year 7 students, will visit local feeder primary schools. The visits will give your child the opportunity to meet with HCC staff in a familiar environment, where they can ask the Year 7 students about life at Helston Community College. During this visit, HCC staff will have a handover with your child's teacher to ensure all information is passed on— this includes suggested tutor groupings. It provides us with the background information required to ensure support is in place, where possible, for their September start.

TRANSITION DAYS

At the peak of our transition process is the two-day visit to HCC. This will take place on Tuesday 30th June and Wednesday 1st July 2020. During this two-day visit, the students will meet their peers, tutor and tutor group, whilst taking part in subject-based activities. Students will be able to experience lunch in the South Site Canteen whilst making new friends. Towards the end of the day, students will attend a year group assembly, where we hope to inspire team spirit and a sense of community.

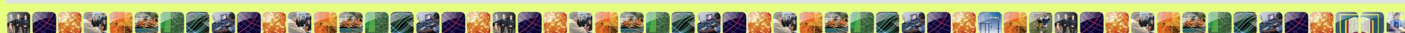
NEW PARENTS' INFORMATION EVENINGS

Parents/carers will be invited to attend one of our New Parents' Information Evenings which take place on the evenings of the two transition days. During the evenings, there will be a key note address by the Headteacher, followed by the opportunity to meet your child's tutor. Uniform and PE Kit will be displayed to try on and order.

SEND WELCOME EVENT

In July 2020, members of our SEND team will host an informal SEND Welcome Event for parents and carers of children with Special Educational Needs (Year 6). This annual event is always well attended. Parents/carers will have the opportunity to speak with SEND staff, learn about the many interventions in place (Learning Passports, Lexia, Read, Write, Inc, Thrive, Flexible Learning Zone, Draw and Talk etc.) and speak with current students about their experience of SEND support at the College.

By the end of the year, we hope you will feel prepared for their September start.



Frequently Asked Questions

WHAT ARE THE TIMINGS OF THE COLLEGE DAY?

Students have four 75-minute lessons per day and follow a fortnightly timetable known as 'Blue Week' and 'Yellow Week'.

Tutorial	8.40am - 9.05am
Period 1	9.10am - 10.25am
Break	10.25am - 10.40am
Period 2	10.40am - 11.55am
Period 3	12.00 noon – 1.15pm
Lunch	1.15pm – 1.55pm
Period 4	1.55pm – 3.10pm

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Reg					
1	Spanish SMD L1	Geography CBO AN	GAMES/PE DGO SM	English sJO C4	Science M1 C7
2	Maths JTD A10	Music SP1 M1	MPE C29	Swedish SMD L1	English PSW C24
3	GAMES/PE DGO SM	Science SMD B9	History CBO A2	Technology SMD C4	Computing C4 C7
4	English PSW C24	Science ABW C2	History CHU A2	Swedish SMD A5	Maths HRO C28

	YMon	YTue	YWed	YThu	YFri
Reg					
1	Swedish SMD B9	Science ABW A2	GAMES/PE DGO SM	RE PIA A23	Science M1 C7
2	GAMES/PE DGO SM	Drama AM1 A2	History HRO A24	Maths HRO A23	Maths HRO C28
3	RE PIA A23	English PSW C24	Maths HRO C28	Swedish SMD A5	Music TJO C24
4	Spanish SMD L1	Geography SMD AN	English CHU A2	Technology SMD C4	Music TJO C24

IS THERE A BUS ROUTE AND HOW DO I APPLY FOR A BUS PASS?

One of our Transport Coordinators, Mr C Martin, is based on North Site Reception. Please telephone the main line and Mr Martin will be able to advise you of bus routes. Bus passes can be ordered from Cornwall County School Transport—0300 1234 100.

MY CHILD IS FROM A SMALL PRIMARY SCHOOL. HOW WILL YOU HELP THEM SETTLE IN A LARGE SCHOOL?

As you will see from the transition process, we will provide as many opportunities as possible to support your child as they move up. We hope that the programme will help them to gradually become familiar with the campus, as we understand it can seem daunting to those from smaller primaries. In their first year, Year 7 students are based on South Site, so whilst their lessons are across both sites, tutorial, breaks and lunchtimes will be on South Site. The students are introduced to the South Site Support Staff early in the year, so they are reassured that if they have any concerns.

For those who struggle socially, we have many enrichment opportunities for students who are struggling to make friends.

WILL MY CHILD'S VOICE BE HEARD?

There are several opportunities for students to make their voices heard at College such as the Student Council and Student Voice.

WHAT ARE THE COOPERATIVE VALUES?

The College's ethos and work is under-pinned by the co-operative values: self-help, self-responsibility, equity, equality, democracy and solidarity; and the co-operative ethical principles: honesty, openness, social responsibility and caring for others.



Frequently Asked Questions

WHAT OPPORTUNITIES WILL BE AVAILABLE TO EXTEND MY CHILD'S LEARNING?

There is a range of provision in place for students to extend their learning. DEEP Club involves selected Year 5 and 6 students from feeder primary schools attending weekly after school sessions to experience secondary school core subjects. As students move through the years at HCC, other opportunities become available such as The Brilliant Club (Year 8) which involves selected students being mentored and assessed by a visiting PhD student, intended to replicate a degree course. Selected students from Years 9 and 10 are invited to attend Debate/Create which is a one day event held at Falmouth University for a small group of extremely creative students. HCC is also part of Exeter University's Uncover Higher Education Programme which is offered to up to 15 students in Year 9 and continues for 3 years. The termly sessions are held at Helston Community College by current university undergraduates, offering an insight into university life and discussing higher education as a future option.

WHAT PROVISION WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR SEND STUDENTS?

If you have any questions regarding SEND support at HCC, we recommend that you attend the SEND Welcome Event which takes place towards the end of the Summer Term, prior to your child starting. If you are unable to attend, a meeting with our SENCO can be organised via the South Site Secretary, Ms Cann. A range of provision is available for students to support individual needs. Detailed transition meetings with both Year 6 teacher/s and the Operational SENCO identify the support required to ensure a smooth transition.

WHAT AFTER-SCHOOL CLUBS DO YOU OFFER?

We run an extensive Enrichment Timetable of clubs which run both during lunchtimes and at the end of the College day. The Enrichment Timetable is updated termly and published on the College website, and displayed on the notice boards around the site. Clubs usually commence in the third week of September.

HOW MUCH HOMEWORK WILL MY CHILD HAVE IN YEAR 7?

Students are set appropriate levels of homework for their age. We appreciate for Year 7 students, this can seem quite an increase from primary school. For those who would benefit from completing homework at school under the supervision of a teacher, Mrs Bloor runs a Homework Club between 3.15pm and 4.15pm every Monday through to Thursday during term time, which is open to all students.

WHAT OPPORTUNITIES WILL I HAVE TO COMMUNICATE WITH THE COLLEGE WHEN MY CHILD IS IN YEAR 7?

In Year 7 there are two organised evenings for parents and carers to meet with school staff. The first is our Parent-Tutor Evening which takes place in November and provides you with the opportunity to discuss how your child has settled in and raise any concerns you may have. The second, Year 7 Parents' Evening, takes place in March, where you will have the opportunity to speak to your child's subject teachers. For daily queries, parents and carers can enquire at South Site Reception, where Ms Cann and Mrs Robson will endeavour to resolve any problems that may arise.



Introducing...

Horizons Project

Taster Sessions Programme

October 2019

In order to help smooth the transition process when your child moves to secondary school, we are running a series of taster sessions throughout this academic year. The Horizons Project is designed to provide your child with the best start to secondary education, smoothing the transition process with engaging sessions that will boost their confidence. They will be able to meet the staff, make new friendships and get to know the College campus. We are offering students a variety of subjects which include: English and Art for Year 6 students and PE, Science and Technology for Year 5 students. The full programme can be found on the following page.

Horizons sessions take place between 3.30pm and 4.30pm. Upon arrival, students should go to North Site Reception where they will be directed to the North Site Canteen for registration. Students will receive refreshments whilst registered, they will then be guided to their subject classroom. Sessions conclude at 4.30pm. At the end of the session, students will be guided back to the North Site Canteen to await collection by parents/carers.

Unfortunately due to limited resources, we are unable to provide transport this year.

If your child is interested in attending this project, please complete the registration form and return it by **Thursday 31st October 2019** to the following address—

**FAO Ms A Cann
Helston Community College (South Site)
Church Hill
Helston
TR13 8NR**

Alternatively, you can email the requested details to acann@helston.cornwall.sch.uk.

We look forward to welcoming your child to the College.

Yours faithfully



**Mr T Richardson
Director KS3
Transition**



Horizons Project

Art: Who is Mick Jagger?

In our session we will explore popular culture imagery developed by the artist Andy Warhol. We will use printing techniques to develop our own interpretations of Pop Art, producing several quick and fun outcomes in response to the starting point of "Celebrity."

Technology: Get creative!

Spend an hour making something in either Computing, Food or Woodwork.

PE: Learn the Art of Teamwork

A fun and interactive, multi-skill session that encourages all to participate and improve, giving you a flavour of the summer activities offered at HCC. (Non-contact sports).

Please wear comfortable clothes for PE.

English: Shakespearean Insults!

Have you ever wondered how people insulted each other in Shakespeare's time? Unpick some of his greatest one-liners from 'A Midsummers Night's Dream', using them in Drama and your own creative writing. Then have fun creating some of your own!

Science: Solve the Case of Emperor Eddie

Eddie had been holding a dinner party for his closest friends and family, when he disappeared to get dessert. Ten minutes later Emperor Eddie was found outside by his wife 'Bird' in the garden, face down in the dirt and directly below his bedroom. It looks like he has fallen through the sliding French doors and off the balcony by accident. The Intergalactic Police have been called to the scene to investigate. They have found a number of pieces of evidence that need to be analysed...

You are the scientists tasked with analysing the evidence so that the Intergalactic Police can work out who did it....

Working in groups of 2 or 3, it is up to you to discover what has happened to Emperor Eddie...

- Was he killed, is it a tragic accident or was he murdered?
- If he was murdered, who killed him and why have they killed him?
- Why did this happen and who knew about it?
- What is the evidence that confirms your theory?

Your group will complete 4 different activities focused on the pieces of evidence found at the scene of the crime. Your group will also be allocated time to produce a short statement, with the opportunity to present your findings, theory and answers at the end of the session, should you wish to do so.



Horizons Diary Dates

Parc Eglos		
Art	Year 6	Tuesday 12th November 2019
English	Year 6	Tuesday 26th November 2019
Technology	Year 5	Tuesday 21st January 2020
Science	Year 5	Tuesday 3rd March 2020
PE	Year 5	Tuesday 24th March 2020

St Michael's		
Art	Year 6	Wednesday 13th November 2019
English	Year 6	Wednesday 27th November 2019
Technology	Year 5	Wednesday 22nd January 2020
Science	Year 5	Wednesday 4th March 2020
PE	Year 5	Wednesday 25th March 2020

Nansloe and any other school not listed		
Art	Year 6	Thursday 14th November 2019
English	Year 6	Thursday 28th November 2019
Technology	Year 5	Thursday 23rd January 2020
Science	Year 5	Thursday 5th March 2020
PE	Year 5	Thursday 26th March 2020

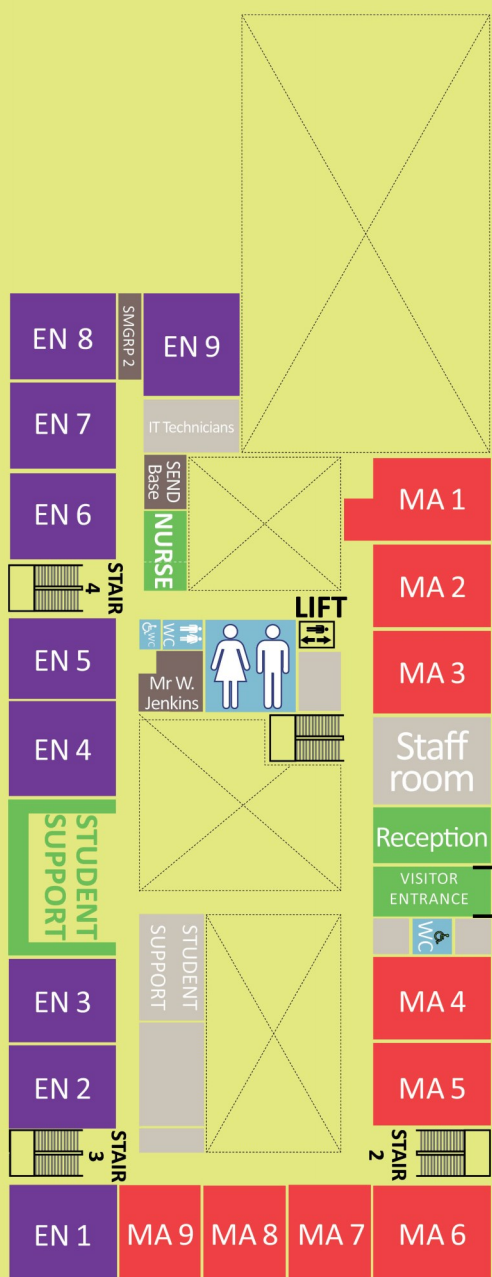
Porthleven		
Art	Year 6	Tuesday 19th November 2019
English	Year 6	Tuesday 3rd December 2019
Technology	Year 5	Tuesday 4th February 2020
Science	Year 5	Tuesday 17th March 2020
PE	Year 5	Tuesday 28th April 2020

Boskenwyn, Crowan, Garras, Halwin, Stithians, Trannack and Wendron		
Art	Year 6	Wednesday 20th November 2019
English	Year 6	Wednesday 4th December 2019
Technology	Year 5	Wednesday 5th February 2020
Science	Year 5	Wednesday 18th March 2020
PE	Year 5	Wednesday 29th April 2020

Breage, Germoe, Godolphin, Gwinear, Leedstown, Sithney and St Hilary		
Art	Year 6	Thursday 21st November 2019
English	Year 6	Thursday 5th December 2019
Technology	Year 5	Thursday 6th February 2020
Science	Year 5	Thursday 19th March 2020
PE	Year 5	Thursday 30th April 2020

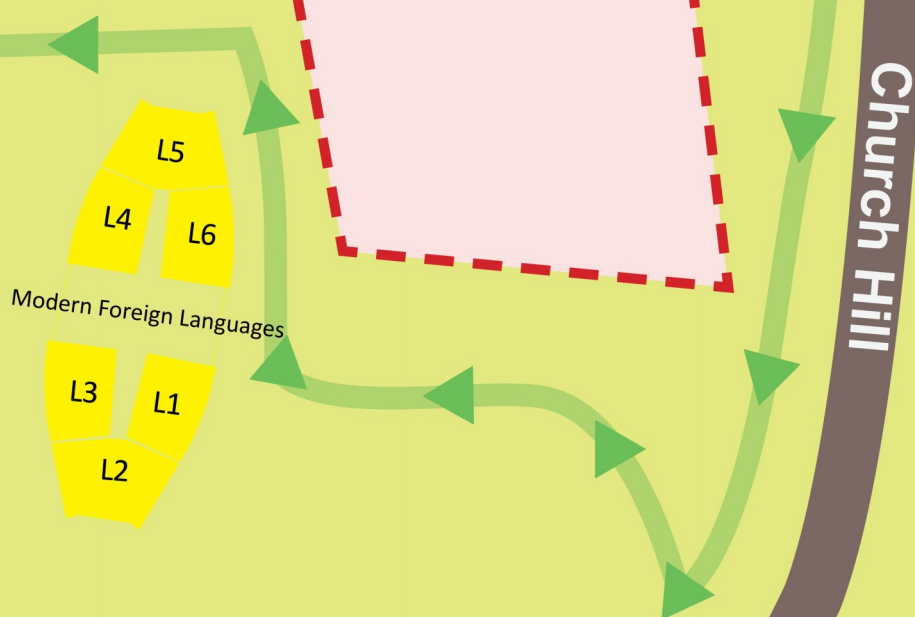


North Site Map



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Please park
here in the
North Site
Car Park
and walk to
Reception



✂ Horizons Project

Registration Form

Name of Student:	
Primary School:	
Date of Birth:	
Year 5 or 6, please state:	

Contact Details

Student's Home Address:	
Name of Parent/Carer:	
Telephone Number:	
Name of Parent/Carer:	
Telephone Number:	

Medical Details

Student's Doctors Surgery:	
Surgery Contact Number:	
Name of Doctor:	
Medical Conditions: Please specify any medication your child requires e.g. Inhaler, EpiPen.	
Dietary Requirements:	

Photographs

I consent to my child's photograph being used in future publicity material about transition for the College, printed and displayed on the College website only.

YES NO

Declaration

I have read the information provided by Helston Community College and give permission for my child to participate in the project.

Signed:

Date:

(Parent/Carer)

Return to Helston Community College by Thursday 31st October

Alternatively, email these details to acann@helston.cornwall.sch.uk



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