

WELCOME TO HIGHAM LANE SCHOOL

# YEAR 7 2022

GETTING STARTED!



**NAME:**

**FORM:**

**TUTOR:**

**FORM ROOM:**

**HOUSE:**







We are really excited to meet you and are so pleased that you are part of our school!

This is what you will be doing over the next two days to help you settle in. There will be a mixture of activities. You will take part in some assemblies, led by Mr Haddon (Headteacher) and Mr Morris (your Progress Leader) and you will meet the Senior Leadership Team. You will also meet some of our teachers in lessons that you go to as well as get to know people in your form better with your form teacher!

We know you will be thinking about Lunchtime too! You will eat your lunch in Chine Hall if you are sandwiches and in the Canteen if you are having a hot lunch. There will be lots of staff to help you if needed!

We are sure that you will enjoy your time at Higham Lane School and be a successful student! All we ask is that you 'Be the Best You Can Be!' That means putting in the best amount of effort you can in everything that you do!

As part of this we want you to be the polite, well mannered young people that you are—always say 'Hello' to members of staff and they will do the same to you! Always use 'please' and 'thank you', staff will do the same! And always end your sentences with 'Sir/Miss'. When we all do this, it makes Higham Lane School a really pleasant place to be!

Remember, if you have any questions or concerns at all, you can ask any member of staff who will be pleased to help you!



# Organisation is key!

## What do I need to bring to school every day?

BACK TO SCHOOL



Check your bag every evening for the following day.  
You need to check that you have all of the following:

Item	Check?	Item	Check?
School bag		A set of compasses	
Books and folders for subjects that day		Calculator	
Pencil case		Glue stick	
Black pens/biros		Reading book	
Pencils		A set of coloured pencils	
Purple pen/biro		A set of coloured pencils	
Pencils		Bottle of water	
Ruler		Lunch (if sandwiches)	
Highlighter pens		Monday: Organiser signed by parent/carer	
Protractor		Any other equipment (food technology, instrument)	
Whiteboard marker pen		Hand sanitiser	

# What do I know so far?!



You will have listened to a lot of information! Now is your chance to try and remember it! Your form tutor will help you with these answers and some of the information will be in your Organiser. Remember to keep this booklet safe for September so that you can refer back to it!

What is the name of your form tutor?	
What is the name of your Progress Leader?	
What is our Headteacher called?	
Which gate do I arrive through every morning?	
What time do I need to be in school for?	
What is the name of the Hall that I go to?	
Where are the toilets for Year 7?	
How will my teachers reward me for excellent effort in class?	
What time is break?	
When does lunchtime start and end?	
Where am I having lunch?	
Name two people who you now know in your form group	
Where will any assemblies take place?	
If I have a problem, who can I speak to?	
What can I do to avoid being given a C1, C3 or C4 in class?	
How will I be rewarded for trying my best?	

Now write down anything else that you have found out that you think will be useful:

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Is there anything else you would like to know?

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What is the answer to your question? (Ask your form tutor!)

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On the first day in September, what time do I have to be here and where do I go?

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What can I be doing over the summer holiday to get myself 'learning ready' for September? Which Summer Project will you try?

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## A new start: Be the Best You Can Be!

Your form tutor will discuss some of the values and habits that we have at Higham Lane School.

Then, discuss and complete the following:



- In my lessons I am going to:
- I am looking forward to these lessons (give a reason why):
- If I find any of the lessons difficult/challenging, I am going to overcome this by:

- I am going to make strong friendships by:
- I am going to feel proud of myself by:
- I am going to be confident about:

### **Extra-Curricular aims**

- I hope to join a club for:
- I would like to join this club because:

## What would I do?

Here are some typical scenarios that some students might face! You are going to discuss some of these with your form tutor and we will return to these in September. You might also find it useful to discuss some of these scenarios with people at home.

*You have been given a new timetable but it is difficult to understand. There are new subjects on there and it's confusing.*

How might you feel?

What could you do in this situation?

Who could you ask for help? Who could explain things?

What lessons do you have each day? Are there any codes you don't understand? Write down what these mean so that you know what each subject is:



*In Maths you realise that you have packed the wrong school book and have your Science book instead.*

How might you feel?

Talk about what might happen. What could you do?

Who could you ask for help? What might you say to your teacher?

What might help you remember for next time?



***It's your PE lesson and you have forgotten your PE kit.***

How might you feel?

Talk about what might happen. What could you do?

Who could you ask for help?

What might help you remember for next time?



***You walk to school with your friend but this morning s/he was running late. You decided to wait for him/her and as a result are both now late for school.***

How might you feel when you arrive late for school?

What happens when you are late?

What will you say to the teacher?

What will help you to be on time the next day?



***You have forgotten to bring in your History homework, even though you have completed it and spent a long time on it at home.***

How might you feel?

What might you say to your teacher? What do you think the teacher might say?

Who could you ask for help?

What might help you remember for next time?



***You have been given a piece of homework that you don't understand how to complete.***

What could you do?

Who could you ask?

What might happen if you didn't ask for help?



***At home when you are packing your school bag, you keep getting confused and getting your books mixed up.***

How might you feel?

What could you do in this situation?

Who could you ask for help?



## A guide to making friends - Be Kind!

- Smile and make eye-contact with people
- Say 'Hello!' to as many people as you can!
- Ask people questions. For example, 'What school have you come from?' 'Who is your tutor?' 'What have you liked about the day so far?' 'Are you okay?' 'How was lunch?'
- Join new clubs and try different things!
- Accept that we are all different
- Be a good listener and show interest in what people are saying
- Treat people as you would like to be treated - be kind!
- Avoid gossiping or making jokes at the expense of others
- Share interests - find out what you have in common

Write down 3 interesting things about yourself:

1.

2.

3.

