

# Transition Newsletter



Issue 1

Welcome to the first of our weekly transition newsletters that have been specifically created for our new Year 6 students who will start with us in September. Throughout the transition process, we hope to provide you with up-to-date information about the opportunities that await our students when they start with us in Year 7. Over the next number of weeks, this newsletter will cover a range of topics that we hope you will find interesting and useful. Alongside this newsletter, we encourage you to regularly visit the school website, where you will find lots of useful information – including a section dedicated to supporting our Year 6 students, called [Transition](#).

## Thought of the week: How will I make friends?

I'm sure that many of you will have been thinking about how you are going to make new friends when you start at secondary school. Don't worry – it's perfectly normal to feel a little bit nervous about this. Click [here](#) to watch a short video from the BBC.

### Top Tips

- Smile and be approachable
- Join a club or after-school activity
- Make an effort to speak to people
- Don't rush: the most genuine friendships develop gradually
- You will be seated with different people in different subjects - this is a good opportunity to form new friendships

## Values at TAG - Empathy

At Trinity Academy Grammar we have four core values. These are four values that we think are incredibly important in life in order to be successful in the world of work and also to be a well-rounded person. We ensure that these core values are at the heart of all that we do.

**Empathy** means to consider and understand other people's feelings; to put yourself in the shoes of another person. If we are empathetic, we are thinking about how our actions and the actions of other people make everyone feel. It is more important now than ever to be empathetic, and we have a really strong focus on wellbeing in school to support and nurture empathy.

## Meet a member of staff

### Mr Johnson – Principal

A very warm welcome to Trinity Academy Grammar (or TAG as we call it). We are delighted to be embarking on this exciting journey together over the next five years. This is a very exciting time for you and we aim to support you all over the coming months to ensure that you are confident and excited about starting with us in September.

Over the next weeks and months, you will receive regular updates which we hope you find useful. We would also encourage you to contact the academy if there is anything that you would like to have more information about.

I look forward to eventually meeting you all in person!

Mr Johnson



## Transition Videos

Over the coming weeks, you will be able to access a range of videos on the transition page of our academy website.

These videos will be updated periodically and we hope that you find them a useful resource in finding out more about your teachers and academy life.

# Subject Challenge

## Drama

Drama is one of the new subjects that you will be studying in Year 7.

To be the very best actor, you need to be able to warm up the muscles in your mouth, so that when you speak, the audience will know exactly what you are saying.

Here are some fun tongue twisters for you to try and learn at home, before you start at Trinity Academy Grammar in September:

The trick is to try and repeat each of the tongue-twisters as many times as you can, as fast as you can, without getting it wrong.

- Can you challenge other people in your house to have a go?
- Who is the tongue-twister champion in your house?
- Are there any other tongue-twisters you know that you can teach someone?

We look forward to hearing these in your first Drama lesson!



### Tongue-twisters





Red lorry, yellow lorry



I scream  
you scream  
we all scream  
for ice cream



Fresh fried fish, fish  
fresh fried, fried fish  
fresh, fish fried fresh



She sells  
seashells by  
the seashore



Three free throws



Give papa a cup of proper  
coffee in a copper coffee cup

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## Information about TAG

### Structure of the day

You must be in school by 8:55am, every day.

Session	Time
Period 1	09:00-09:55
Period 2	09:55-10:50
Break Time	10:50-11:10
Form Time	11:10-11:30
Reading	11:30-11:50
Period 3	11:50-12:45
Lunch	12:45-13:15
Period 4	13:15-14:10
Period 5	14:10-15:10

## Contact Us

Additional resources are available on the school website, click [here](#).

Have any questions?  
Please feel free to contact us.

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