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Llanidloes High School Transition Day

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Dear Parent/Carer,

We hope and trust your child is extremely excited about joining Llanidloes High School in September.

This letter provides a brief update on how we are preparing for your child's transition to Llanidloes High School. We want to make this significant step as smooth and enjoyable as possible.

By way of introduction, you may be interested to know that your child is joining one of the largest Year 7 cohorts since the Local Authority introduced charging for out of catchment transport. We are delighted that from September we will have the largest Welsh Medium stream in the school's history. We are so thankful that the school's reputation as one of the highest performing and happiest schools in Wales is drawing pupils from far and wide.

When will my child start at Llanidloes High School?

As things stand, we look forward to welcoming your child on Thursday 2nd September. In the meantime, we sincerely hope your child's excitement continues to grow ahead of their big move!

Are there going to be any transition days?

We are delighted to say that Welsh Government operational guidance allows us to hold transition days this summer.

We are holding our Year 6 transition days for pupils in different schools on 25th June, 2nd July and 9th July. We aim to give your child a thoroughly enjoyable introduction to high school life through fun taster lessons, a tour of the school site (including our brand new 3G pitch!) and time with their teachers and new friends. We will do all we can to whet their appetite for more so that they long for the end of the summer holidays...Well, we live in hope!



Please check below for the date of your child's transition day

| Day | Friday June 25th Welsh Medium Day | Friday July 2nd | Friday 9 th July |
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| Schools | Dafydd Llwyd WM only | Rhayader EM only | Llanidloes |
| | Carno | Hafren | Llandinam |
| | Rhayader WM only | Penygloddfa | Dyffryn Trannon EM |
| | Dyffryn Trannon WM only | Llandinam (special request) | Maesyrhandir |
| | | Caersws | |
| | | Newbridge | |
| | | Welshpool | |
| | | Bro Hyddgen | |
| | | Llanbrynmair | |
| | | Dafydd Llwyd EM | |
| | | St. Marys | |
| | | Carno EM | |

WM = Welsh medium pupils

EM = English medium pupils

Welsh Government's guidance necessitates pupils remaining in school bubbles throughout their time on site. They will also need to observe the usual covid control measures. To this end, please ensure your child brings a face covering on the day. If they are medically exempt from wearing a face covering, please let us know in advance.

Transport

Pupils will not be picked up or dropped off at their primary school.

Pupils who live nearby may walk to school.

Those who will be travelling to us by bus in September will use the same bus pick up and drop off points for the transition day. We hope this will support transition in the area of transport arrangements.

Pupils must wear a face covering on the bus unless they are medically exempt.

Please see the suggested times and points for pick up and drop off attached.

Alternatively, you are welcome to transport your son/daughter to school by car.

At the end of the day, pupils will go home in the same way in which they came.

Lunch

Please provide you son/daughter with snacks, packed lunch and refreshments.

Arrival

Pupils will be met at the bus bay and brought to the school hall for a warm welcome before they start attending their lessons.

Clothing

Please can pupils wear their Primary School uniform for the transition day.

Equipment

Please can pupils bring stationary for the day.

How can you get in touch with someone at the school?

We've tried to cover everything, but if you have any further questions you can contact us via telephone on 01686 412289, or the office email address which is checked daily: office@llanidloes-hs.powys.sch.uk Please write 'Year 6' and your child's name in the subject line and it will be forwarded directly to me for a response.

In the meantime, we remain deeply excited at the prospect of welcoming your child to Llanidloes High School!

Kind regards,

B. Harrison

Transition coordinator
Head of Year 7