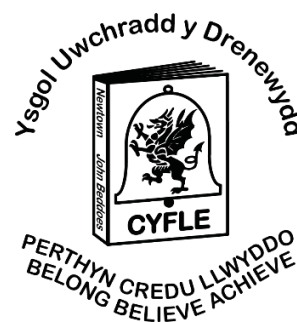


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19th March 2021

Dear Future Parents of Newtown High School, John Beddoes Campus,

RE: Transition to Newtown High School, John Beddoes Campus

Here at John Beddoes our school ethos of 'Belong, Believe, Achieve' has never been more important. We want to ensure that all Year 6 students of Presteigne and Surrounding Areas have a smooth transition to us in September and feel that they do 'Belong' at John Beddoes. After what has been an unprecedented and testing year for us all we are very aware that some Year 6 students may be feeling anxious about what High School will look, sound and feel like. Therefore, our Transition Team have put together a thorough plan to support your child's transition to us, during the Summer Term. We have spoken to all of the Primary School Headteachers who are fully supportive of the arrangements.

Mrs Craddock-Bennett have made a short video to introduce you to our Summer Transition plans – Scan the QR Code to watch the video!



A brief outline of these plans can be seen below:

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| Week Beginning 19.4.21 | Welcome Packs will be delivered to all Year 6 students. This will include: A Digital Transition Guide, Transition Roadmap, Check-list, etc. |
| 26.4.21 until 5.7.21 | Weekly 30-minute transition sessions will begin, these will be via MS Teams and hosted by Mrs S Huxley and Mr Dumayne. |
| May 2021 | The BIG TRANSITION project – In late May we will be launching our BIG TRANSITION project, which will be open to all Year 6 students, watch this space for more information and for further news on the BIG TRANSITION prize! |
| Week Beginning 4 th June | We will begin to (virtually) meet the Year 6 students in their school to find out a bit more about them and to begin to co-ordinate the classes they will be in and any additional support they may want or need. |
| June 2021 | We will launch our Virtual Sports Day, which will be open to all Year 5 & 6 students. |

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| July 2021 | We hope to be able to arrange a visit to the school site, however this is dependent on local and government COVID-19 restrictions. |
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As COVID-19 restrictions begin to lift we hope to be able to offer further transition activities. To get the latest information straight to the palm of your hand then please download our Schoop App. More information on how to download can be found here - [Newtown High School - Schoop app \(newtown-hs.powys.sch.uk\)](http://newtown-hs.powys.sch.uk). The Schoop ID is 20355. Once you have download the app please join the 'Transition 2021' group, to receive all relevant news.

We will also be hosting a parent transition group, this will be held fortnightly on Microsoft Teams, this will start after the May half-term break. If you wish to be a part of these transition sessions then please email Mrs S Huxley at shuxley@newtown-hs.powys.sch.uk. Additionally, there will be fortnightly support sessions for students identified by their Primary School, these will be hosted by Mrs S Huxley and Mrs J Hamilton (Additional Learning Needs Co-ordinator).

We so look forward to meeting all Year 6 students, the 'Welcome Packs' will be with you shortly and Mrs Huxley looks forward to introducing you to all that John Beddoes has to offer.

If you have any questions then please do not hesitate in contacting us at:

Mrs S Huxley – Assistant Headteacher – shuxley@newtown-hs.powys.sch.uk

Mr B Dumayne – Deputy Headteacher – bdumayne@newtown-hs.powys.sch.uk

Yours Sincerely,

Mr B Dumayne and Mrs S Huxley

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