



Dear Sir/Madam,

I am thrilled to attach your welcome pack. This welcome pack includes the Essential Guide, the Student's Essential Guide and data sheets requiring completion.

Once again, we welcome you to Clyst Vale. One of our aims of transition is to get to know students very well before they arrive, so please can you complete the forms attached, and ask your child to complete their 'all about me' sheet. Once completed, can you either send a photo of it to me at: zimblert@clystvale.org or, give it to your primary school teacher so that they can keep hold of it until I visit primaries in May.

The Essential Guide can be used throughout your child's journey at Clyst Vale. It covers key parts of school life including uniform, homework, curriculum, pastoral support and much more. This is an excellent guide for parents.

The Student's Essential Guide is a friendlier read intended to support your child understand and prepare for secondary school life. It has been created with the help of current Year 7 students who proposed questions they would liked to have known before starting secondary school. Please do email if your child has any further questions.

Enclosed is also a leaflet for 'The Big Step' a summer transition programme we will be running. Please refer to the leaflet for any questions. If you have further questions, please contact info@thebigstep.org

To update you on the transition process, we are now entering our data collection phase. This phase is where we contact primaries to pass over key information about your child. Please do contact me if you wish to provide additional information to support your child's transition. Once we have finalised our data collection, we will then move into sorting your child into the best tutor group and provide you with an update regarding our induction days. These days are a great way to reduce the anxiety of transitioning and allow the first steps into making friends and understanding secondary school life.

Please do contact me with any requests or questions, and I will endeavour to respond as soon as possible.

Wishing you all the best,

Theo Zimbler

Transition Co-Ordinator 2023