



Dear Parents and Carers,

On behalf of everyone here at Clyst Vale Community College, I am delighted to welcome your child. We are all very much looking forward to welcoming and supporting your child throughout their secondary school journey.

Moving up to secondary school can be an emotional time for pupils. Some feel positively about it and can't wait to start; others are more anxious and nervous. We have therefore put together a comprehensive transition process that ensures that the move between primary and secondary school is a supported, personalised, and smooth process that recognises the needs of each individual pupil.

The process we will be delivering starts with collecting as much information as we can about your child. This allows us to get to know your child really well, before they start. After Easter, you will receive an information pack which will include forms that you will need to get back to us, and the Essential Guide for Parents 2023, as well as this, your child will receive a student information pack which will include an 'all about me' sheet. This sheet will be important in helping me to decide which tutor is the right fit for your child. If you are from a non-feeder primary school, I will not be able to promise a visit; instead, I invite non-feeder parents and students to our non-feeder event, **Thursday 29th June**, where both parents and students can meet other non-feeder students.

Any pupils identified as having special requirements or needing a more personalised transition will receive subsequent visits from our experienced pastoral and SEND support team to ensure that we are fully briefed for their arrival and can therefore offer the highest level of support during the transition process. Please contact me if you have any questions regarding this.

On **Thursday 6th** and **Friday 7th July**, we will hold our induction days at the school. These days offer the Year 6 pupils the opportunity to familiarise themselves with the site, get to know some of their teachers and start to establish themselves at their new school. We will also be holding induction workshops for Maths and English, with more information to come. On **Wednesday 12th July**, there will be a welcome meeting for parents, led by Dr Kevin Bawn, Head Teacher of Clyst Vale Community College.

After Easter, I will write to you again with more details regarding these transition days and the information you will require for September. This will include timings of the events and tutor group information.

If you have any questions, or wish to discuss any elements of our transition process further, please do not hesitate to contact me on 01392 460594, or by email: zimblert@clystvale.org

Yours faithfully,

Mr Theo Zimblert
Transition Co-Ordinator 2023