



Diss High School

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Our school motto is,
"Work hard, be kind"

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Dear Parent / Carer,

Welcome to Diss High School

I am delighted that you have chosen to send your child to Diss High School. Set out below are the details of three events planned to inform and reassure both parents and students before the official enrolment in September.

Please note that our SENCO, Mrs Somers (or a member of her team) will be contacting the primary schools directly to arrange additional transition activities and visits, following discussions with the schools' SEND departments.

1. New Intake Meeting for Parents: Wednesday 3rd July 2024 at 5:00pm

I am pleased to invite you to our High School for a meeting for parents of children who will be joining us in September. The formal part of the meeting will begin at 5:45pm in the Main Hall.

School uniform and PE kit is available for purchase direct from our supplier via their online web store. In order to help you with this, samples of the uniform will be available to view on the evening, but not to purchase.

Year 6 students are not required at this meeting, as we are inviting them on a different day when they will be able to spend longer with us.

2. Fun Morning for Students: Saturday 29th June 2024 – 9:00am - 12:00pm

This "fun" event is taking place at Diss High School for all Year 6 students. The aim of the event is to encourage students to meet and socialise with Year 6's from other Primary Schools and to familiarise them with Diss High School. They will have the chance to participate in a variety of problem solving/team building activities with students who will be in their form groups from September. It will, as in past years, be run by trained Youth Workers.

We are suggesting that each young person brings some snacks and a drink for mid-morning. Suitable clothing should be worn such as shorts/loose fitting trousers, t-shirts, trainers a waterproof jacket, if the weather is wet, sunscreen and hat if weather is hot.

Registration will be from 9:00 – 9:15am and the event will finish at 12 noon.

Registration for the event is managed in your Admissions+ account and we need a consent form completed online for every child taking part. **If we do not have consent for your child, they cannot take part in the event.**

Each child needs to be brought to the school and signed in by a parent/carer. It is important that you collect your child promptly at the end of the event as we cannot let young people leave the site unattended (unless you notify us of other arrangements).

1. Familiarisation Day for Students: Monday 1st July 2024

Arrangements are being made for all students to visit us on the above date to help them become familiar with their new School.

The programme will commence at 9:00am and will finish at 2:45pm. Students will be expected to wear normal school shoes and trousers, but may wear a top of their choice.

Unfortunately, we are not able to provide transport for this day and we hope that parents will make suitable arrangements.

Students arriving by car usually come to the gateway on Uplands Way, but on this occasion, the Walcot Road main entrance may be used. Motorists should circle the roundabout, dropping students at the top of the steps. Walkers and cyclists should come through the gateway on Uplands Way. To avoid the school buses please arrive between 8:45 and 9:00am.

Your child's programme for the day will include time with his/her tutor and tutor group, as well as taster sessions from a selection of subjects.

We are offering all students a free meal in our dining room on this day and there is a menu available on your Admission+ account where your child can pre-select their meal choices.

At the end of the day, students can be picked up from 'B' block playground. Car park guides will be present to direct you.

I hope that these two meetings will play a significant part in helping your child make a happy transition to Diss High School.

Yours faithfully,



Mr B Lea
Assistant Headteacher

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