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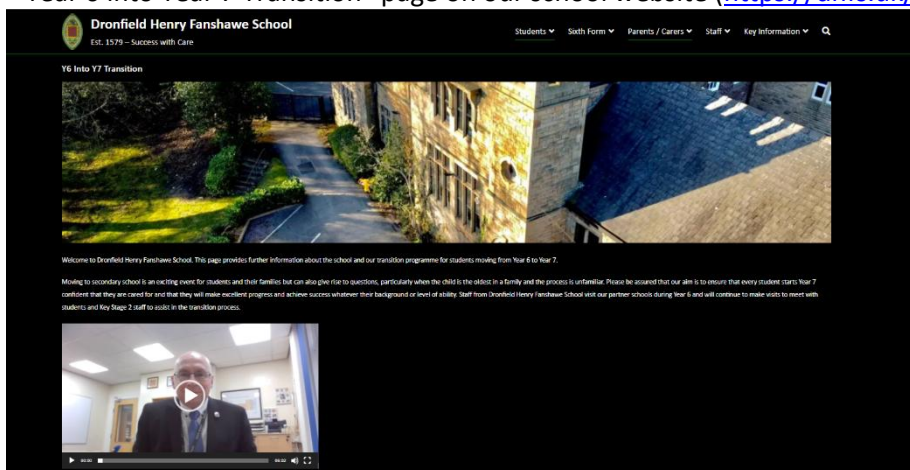
Transition Programme for 2026 Cohort

Dear Parents/Carers

We are really looking forward to your child joining us on our return to school on Monday 7th September 2026 to start their new school career at Dronfield Henry Fanshawe School (DHFS). The school has a long and proud tradition of 'Success with Care' and we are excited about your child joining our family and being part of our future.

As part of the transition process, we would like to invite you to our Y7 Induction Evening on Thursday 2nd July 2026 @ 6pm. There will be an opportunity to hear from our Headteacher, Mr Cooper, and other senior staff as well as to meet your child's House Team and mentor(s). The evening will give you all the information you need regarding our plans for your child's transition and answer any questions you may have regarding the summer and the start of the autumn term. Please refer to the Induction Evening programme, for more details. Where possible, we ask that parents/carers avoid parking on the school site and instead walk in. Please arrive promptly in time for your first session, latecomers to the Headteacher's session will not be admitted'.

In order to help parents/carers locate all relevant information, I would like to direct you to the "Year 6 into Year 7 Transition" page on our school website (<https://dhfs.uk/y6-into-y7-transition/>).



Included in this section of the website you will find:

- Uniform expectations
- Behaviour and attendance expectations
- Anti-bullying information
- DHFS Transition Information booklet



We intend to use the school website to communicate information that will be relevant to parents/carers regarding the transition process. Parents/carers are able to visit the 'Letters Home' section of our website (<https://dhfs.uk/letters-home/>) to find information that will be useful for when your child starts with us.

You will also soon receive communication from school detailing your child's network username, password and email address to ensure a smooth start to life at DHFS. An information/help guide will accompany this so that parents/carers are able to troubleshoot and support with gaining access.

Now that all students have been allocated a place, you will have received a personalised letter advising you of your child's teaching group, house and mentor group.

We are pleased that this year we will be able to offer our traditional Induction Week between Monday 20th July – Thursday 23rd July 2026.

Induction Week Essential Information:

- Students can enter the site through any gate. We ask that parents/carers drop students off away from school to avoid traffic congestion. Students should be on site for 8:50am
- Students are to wear either a white T-shirt, white polo shirt or white formal shirt
- Sensible trousers or a formal knee length skirt/shorts should be worn. We ask that no dark tracksuit bottoms, jeans or leggings are worn for the week
- Students must bring equipment for the week including: pencil case, black or blue pen, green pen, ruler, pencil, rubber, protractor, compass
- Sensible footwear, if trainers, preferably black (no flip flops, pumps, ballet shoes, sandals).
- PE kit will not be needed unless requested during the week
- A suitable bag to carry equipment, books and PE kit (if needed) is necessary
- Students will receive their Y7 timetable, a planner, and a house badge and year badge on Day 1

Our uniform suppliers Price & Buckland anticipate being fully stocked for uniform and PE kit. We encourage parents/carers to place their orders now in order to avoid unavailability. Sizing guidance is available on their website (<https://price-buckland.co.uk/school-uniform-online>). Alternatively, in order to tackle the rapidly growing global environmental challenges for a sustainable future, we aim to normalise the reusing of pre-loved school uniform to reduce our carbon footprint whilst helping our families in need of support. DHFS have teamed up with a company called Uniformd in order to try and make our environment a little greener. Families are able to access recycled school uniform here <https://app.uniformd.co.uk/items/221> . Support for Pupil Premium students with the cost of uniform is not available until later in the school year.

Ms Stubbs, our Assistant Headteacher (Safeguarding and Inclusion), is available to answer any queries you may have if your child has any additional learning needs (jestubbs@dhfs.uk). If you have any urgent questions that haven't been answered in our communication, please contact Mr McGuinness, our Assistant Headteacher for Behaviour and Inclusion (nmcguinness@dhfs.uk). If you have any urgent questions that haven't been answered in our communication, please contact Sarah Wyles our Transition Lead (swyles@dhfs.uk).

Yours sincerely,



Mr N McGuinness
Assistant Headteacher – Behaviour and Attitudes

