

# **LETTER TO YR 6**

Dear Year 6,

This letter is to all you year 6's out there taking a big leap from primary to secondary school. I can tell you it is quite nerve-racking showing up for the first day, but I can assure you within the first week I knew pretty much everyone in my form thanks to my helpful form tutor (Ms Archer) who i'm pretty sure you'll like.

Now, changing classroom to classroom is something we do at Verulam, it may seem very confusing, however, I can tell you that you will be given a little map of the school and a timetable for when you become forgetful. Only 3 weeks in and I thoroughly knew the school! I didn't even have to look at my timetable.

Also, what is there to worry about? Lessons, getting lost, older boys, perhaps homework? Well, I can reassure you that none of this bothered me, we had a useful map so we couldn't get lost, the older boys were in a different part of the school to us, homework may be a big change but that's part of the change when coming to a secondary school. Making friends is just like a walk in the park, we do fun activities on our first day as a form to help us to get to know each other better.

If I am honest, I didn't know anyone who came to Verulam and within the first month I knew our whole entire form – It was easier than expected, trust me.

Thirdly, Ecco clubs, in my opinion try and do as many as possible because they are SUPER fun! I Attend rugby, football, basketball and running (don't forget the games lessons we have just down the road from Verulam.) Every little bit is a thrill and I can guarantee you will enjoy it!

Also, lessons, you need to look ahead of your timetable at ALL times, this will come in handy as you may forget sometimes, besides you have to get there first because if you complete the starter you earn a H2! Don't worry if you get lost, you will make friends who will help you find your way!

Now Games, you will be escorted to the games field (only a 15 minute walk) by the teachers, but don't worry, the walk is worth it as you get to have a blast doing rugby, football and many other physical activities.

This has been a letter from an experienced year 7 assuring you not to worry and wishing you all good luck on your first day of secondary school, looking forward to seeing you in September!

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