



P7 Charleston Academy Transition Plan 2021-22

Over the past few weeks and months we have constantly been thinking about the upcoming P7 pupils and what transition may look like for them this year. With the Covid pandemic and the ever changing regulations in schools it has been very difficult to confirm arrangements as things stand.

At this time, we still have to wait for advice and guidance from the Highland Council before finalising our plans for transition. Ideally we would like to have some sort of visit for the upcoming pupils but await confirmation that this will be possible. In the meantime, we have created some opportunities for you to ensure you and your child feels happy, safe and supported in moving from Primary School to Charleston Academy.

We are all here to help and support you. You can be assured that we are all thinking carefully about how best to support our P7s moving to Charleston and that this will be done through careful planning, preparation and discussions.

Thank you

Mr McFee

Depute Head/ Year Head for S1 next year

Our Plans

1. A short video will be created and posted on the Charleston Academy website and Facebook page. This short video will allow us to share with parent's information related to the transition process, how classes are made up, the structure of the school day, the curriculum and dress code to name a few key things.

2. A P7 Google Transition classroom will be set up by Mr McFee and this will be the central place that information is posted to inform about Transition events.

P7 children will receive the code to this classroom from their P7 teachers (Mr McFee will send out this code once all the pupils coming into S1 next session have been confirmed to ensure nobody is missed))

3. We will be introducing some key staff from Charleston Academy. This will be done through pre-arranged Google Meets with each P7 class and hosted by our Guidance staff. The links to these meets will be shared with pupils. These meets will take the form of a question and answer session to allow pupils to find out a bit more about life at Charleston Academy.

4. Following on from these we will arrange a further google meet once the new S1 classes have been confirmed. Your child's allocated Guidance teacher and link Support for Learning Teacher will lead these meetings and let pupils meet key staff for them in the school.

5. There will also be enhanced transition opportunities and these will be led by the ASN/Guidance staff at Charleston. Details of these, such as dates and times will either be posted on the S1 Transition classroom or shared with individual pupils and families. We will be working with primary schools to identify pupils who may benefit from this.

6. In late June we hope to carry out Child Plan meetings for level 3 and 4 pupils, with Charleston support staff, Primary Heads and also parent/carers of the P7 pupils transitioning to us. This is to help reassure parents/carers that we are fully aware of the needs of the pupils coming to us.

7. Lastly we really hope we will have the opportunity to allow the P7's the chance to visit the school and experience what it will be like to be a pupil at Charleston. We feel this experience is invaluable and will keep this option very much on the table and confirm arrangements when we have clearer guidance. If we are allowed to have the pupils in we would plan to do this on **Wednesday 23rd June**.