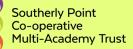
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Transition

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Transition Process

2019 Diary Dates

Tuesday 18th June Transition Day (All Year 6 students)

Tuesday 18th June New Parents' Information Evening

Wednesday 19th June | Transition Day (All Year 6 students)

Wednesday 19th June | New Parents' Information Evening

We understand that the move from primary to secondary education can seem a daunting transition. We are committed to making this process as smooth as possible for our students. There are a range of projects and events that take place over the academic year to ensure the best possible outcome for your child. Letters regarding each event will be distributed via your child's primary school throughout the academic year.

OPEN EVENING

Our annual Open Evening takes place in September. This is an opportunity for students, parents and carers to explore the campus, meet the staff and view classroom demonstrations. Head Teacher, Mr W Jenkins, will open the evening by introducing the aims and ethos of the College.

TASTER SESSIONS—HORIZONS

We offer a series of subject taster sessions to students in Year 5 and 6 throughout the academic year. The sessions are intended to provide a positive experience of secondary school and an opportunity for your child to meet staff and become more familiar with the layout of the College in the run up to moving. Further information can be found towards the end of this booklet.

PRIMARY VISITS

During April through to June, the Head of Progress for Year 7, accompanied by the Year 7 Secretary and a number of Year 7 students, visits feeder primary schools. The visits will give your child the opportunity to meet with HCC staff in a familiar environment, where they can ask the students about life at Helston Community College. During this visit, we will have a handover with your child's teacher to ensure all information is passed on— this includes suggested tutor groupings. It provides us with the background information required to ensure support is in place, where possible, for their September start.

TRANSITION DAYS

At the peak of our transition process is our two-day transition, this will take place on Tuesday 18th and Wednesday 19th June 2019. During this two-day visit, the students will meet their year group, tutor and tutor group, whilst taking part in Humanities and Design and Technology subject-based activities. Students will be able to experience lunch in the South Site Canteen whilst making new friends. Towards the end of the day, students will attend a year group assembly, where we hope to inspire team spirit and call the prize draw.

NEW PARENTS' INFORMATION EVENING

Parents/carers will be invited to attend one of our New Parents' Information Evenings which take place on the evenings of the two June transition days. During the evening, there will be a key note address by the Head Teacher and Head of Progress for Year 7, followed by the opportunity to meet your child's tutor. Uniform and PE Kit will be displayed to try on and order, as well as our second-hand uniform sale courtesy of friends@helston.

SEND COFFEE MORNING

On Friday 12th July 2019 between 2.00pm and 3.00pm members of our SEND team will host a coffee morning for parents and carers of children with Special Educational Needs (Year 6). This annual event is always well attended. Parents/carers will have the opportunity to speak with SEND staff, learn about the many interventions in place (Learning Passports, Lexia, Read, Write, Inc, Thrive, Flexible Learning Zone, Draw and Talk etc.) and speak with current College students about their experience of SEND support at the College.

Frequently Asked Questions

WHAT ARE THE TIMINGS OF THE COLLEGE DAY?

Students have four 75-minute lessons per day and follow a fortnightly timetable known as 'Blue Week' and Yellow Week'.

 Tutorial
 8.40am - 9.00am

 Period 1
 9.05am - 10.20am

 Break
 10.20am - 10.40am

 Period 2
 10.40am - 11.55am

 Period 3
 12.00 noon - 1.15pm

 Lunch
 1.15pm - 1.55pm

 Period 4
 2.00pm - 3.15pm

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Reg					
1	Spanish SMO L1	Geography CBO A9	Games/PE DLE SH	English JJO C4	Science JHI LE
2	Geography JST A10	Music SPR M1	Maths MPO C29	Spanish SMO L1	English PSW C34
3	Games/PE DLE SH	Art SMN 59	Science JHI LE	Technology KJA E14	Computing RVA C7
4	English PSW C34	Science ABW D2	History CHU A25	Geography CBO A9	Maths HRO C28
	YMon	YTue	YWed	YThu	YFri
Reg	YMon	YTue	YWed	YThu	YFri
Reg 1	YMon Art SMN 59	YTue Science ABW D2	YWed Games/PE DLE SH	YThu RE PMA A23	YFri Science JHI LE
Reg 1	Art	Science	Games/PE	RE	Science
1	Art SMN B9 Games/PE	Science ABW D2 Drama	Games/PE DLE SH History	RE PMA A23 Maths	Science JHI LE Maths

IS THERE A BUS ROUTE AND HOW DO I APPLY FOR A BUS PASS?

One of our Transport Coordinators, Mr C Martin, is based on North Site Reception. Please telephone the main line and Mr Martin will be able to assist with your query, advising you of bus routes, cost and the procedure for ordering.

MY CHILD IS FROM A SMALL PRIMARY SCHOOL. HOW WILL YOU HELP THEM SETTLE IN A LARGE SCHOOL?

As you will see from the transition process, we will provide as many opportunities as possible to support your child as they move up. We hope that the programme will help them to gradually become familiar with the campus, as we understand it can seem daunting to those from smaller primaries. In their first year, Year 7 students are based on South Site, so whilst their lessons are across both sites, tutorial, breaks and lunchtimes will be on South Site. The students are introduced to the South Site Support Staff early in the year, so they are reassured that if they have any concerns, they can approach Ms Cann (South Site Secretary) and Mrs Bayes (Year 7 Pastoral Support).

For those who struggle socially, we have many enrichment opportunities such as 'Lunch Bunch' which is a Year 7 teacher—led lunchtime club, primarily for students who are struggling to make friends.

WILL MY CHILD'S VOICE BE HEARD?

There are several opportunities for students to make their voices heard at College such as the Student Council and Student Voice.

WHAT ARE THE COOPERATIVE VALUES?

The College's ethos and work is under-pinned by the co-operative values: self–help, self-responsibility, equity, equality, democracy and solidarity; and the co-operative ethical principles: honesty, openness, social responsibility and caring for others.



Frequently Asked Questions

WHAT OPPORTUNITIES WILL BE AVAILABLE TO EXTEND MY CHILD'S LEARNING?

There is a range of provision in place for students to extend their learning. DEEP Club involves selected Year 5 and 6 students from feeder primary schools attending weekly after school sessions to experience secondary school core subjects. As students move through the years at HCC, other opportunities become available such as The Brilliant Club (Year 8) which involves selected students being mentored and assessed by a visiting PhD student, intended to replicate a degree course. Selected students from Years 9 and 10 are invited to attend Debate/Create which is a one day event held at Falmouth University for a small group of extremely creative students. HCC is also part of Exeter University's Uncover Higher Education Programme which is offered to up to 15 students in Year 9 and continues for 3 years. The termly sessions are held at Helston Community College by current university undergraduates, offering an insight into university life and discussing higher education as a future option.

WHAT PROVISION WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR SEND STUDENTS?

If you have any questions regarding SEND support at HCC, we recommend that you attend the SEND Coffee Morning towards the end of the Summer Term, prior to your child starting. If you are unable to attend, a meeting with our Operational SENCO can be organised via the South Site Secretary, Ms Cann. A range of provision is available for students to support individual needs. Detailed transition meetings with both Year 6 teacher/s and the Operational SENCO identify the support required to ensure a smooth transition.

WHAT AFTER-SCHOOL CLUBS DO YOU OFFER?

We run an extensive Enrichment Timetable of clubs which run both during lunchtimes and at the end of the College day. The Enrichment Timetable is updated termly and published on the College website, and displayed on the notice boards around the site. Clubs usually commence in the third week of September.

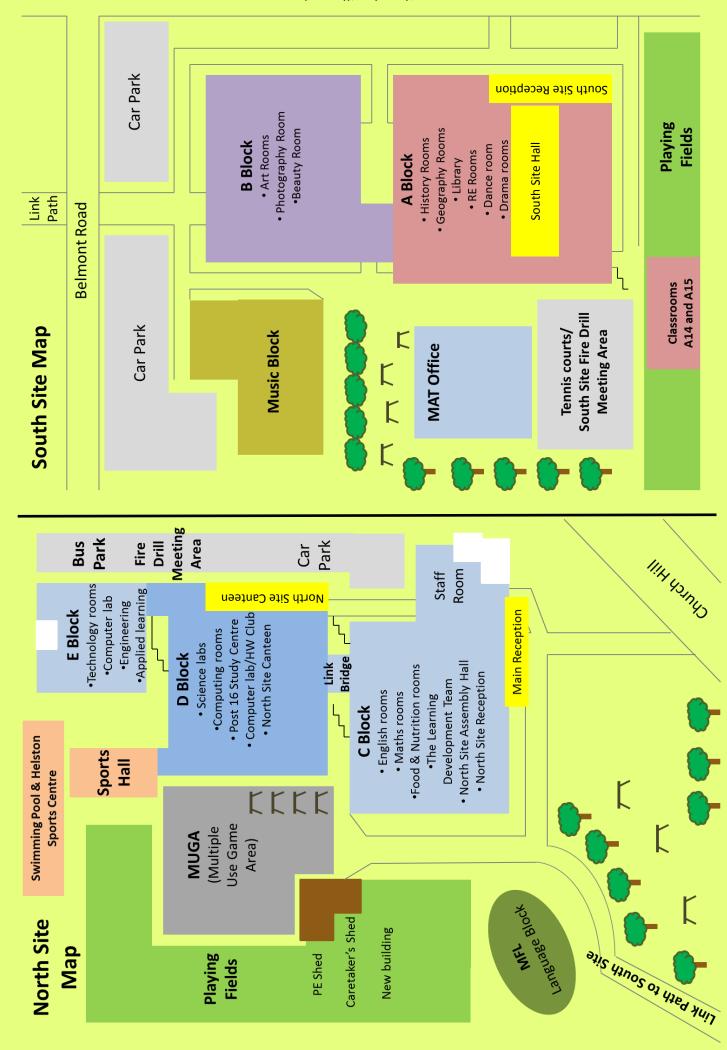
HOW MUCH HOMEWORK WILL MY CHILD HAVE IN YEAR 7?

Students are set appropriate levels of homework for their age. We appreciate for Year 7 students, this can seem quite an increase from primary school. For those who would benefit from completing homework at school under the supervision of a teacher, Mrs Bloor runs a Homework Club between 3.15pm and 4.15pm every Monday through to Thursday during term time, which is open to all students.

WHAT OPPORTUNITIES WILL I HAVE TO COMMUNICATE WITH THE COLLEGE WHEN MY CHILD IS IN YEAR 7?

In Year 7 there are two organised evenings for parents and carers to meet with school staff. The first is our Parent-Tutor Evening which takes place in November and provides you with the opportunity to discuss how your child has settled in and raise any concerns you may have. The second, Year 7 Parents' Evening, takes place in March, where you will have the opportunity to speak to your child's subject teachers. The Year 7 Head of Progress runs a drop-in once a week between 3.30pm and 4.30pm for Year 7 parents—appointments can be reserved by emailing the South Site Secretary, Ms Cann. For daily queries, parents and carers can enquire at South Site Reception, where Ms Cann and Mrs Bayes will endeavour to resolve any problems that may arise.





The New Build

Work is progressing quickly on the new build for the College which will replace the current C, D and E blocks with a new 'Superblock'. The majority of the steel frame is now in place and floors are installed. Work is progressing well and is on track for students to move into the new building in September 2019.



Introducing...

Horizons

Taster Sessions Programme

October 2018





In order to help smooth the transition process when your child moves to secondary school, we are running a series of taster sessions throughout this academic year. The Horizons project is designed to provide your child with the best start to secondary education, smoothing the transition process with engaging sessions that will boost their confidence. They will be able to meet the staff, make new friendships and get to know the College campus. We are offering students a variety of subjects which include: English, Maths, Art and Drama for Year 6 students and Science, PE and Languages for Year 5 students. The full programme can be found on the following page. Last year, 396 students signed up to this project.

Where stated students will be collected by HCC staff from their primary school and brought to Helston Community College for a 3.15pm start. Horizons sessions take place between 3.15pm and 4.30pm. Upon arrival, Year 6 students will be guided to the South Site Hall. Year 5 students will be guided to the North Site Canteen for the start of their sessions. Students will receive refreshments whilst registered, they will then be guided to their subject classroom. Sessions conclude at 4.30pm. At the end of the session, students will be guided back to the South Site Hall (Year 6)/ North Site Canteen (Year 5) where they will be allowed to depart via the travel arrangement you have indicated on their registration form.

As previously stated, we are able to provide minibus transport, collection and return, from the following primary schools: Boskenwyn, Breage, Crowan, Garras, Germoe, Godolphin, Halwin, Leedstown, Nansloe, Parc Eglos (walked by HCC staff), Porthleven, Sithney, St Hilary, St Michael's, Trannack and Wendron. Estimated pick up times are displayed alongside the diary dates. Your child's primary school will be given a register and is aware of the estimated collection times—we will liaise with them to organise transport. If you indicate on your child's registration form that you would like them to travel home on our minibus, they will be returned to their primary school between 4.30pm and 5.00pm (estimated). Please note the mode of transport you indicate on the registration form will be the same for every transition session.

If your child is interested in attending Horizons, please complete the registration form, and return it to your primary school office by <u>Thursday 15th November 2018.</u>

If you have any queries or concerns regarding the transition process, please do not hesitate to contact the College.

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Yours faithfully,

Mrs P Laban
Assistant Head Teacher
Community and Transition

Horizons



Year 6



In our session we will explore popular culture imagery developed by the artist Andy Warhol. We will use printing techniques to develop our own interpretations

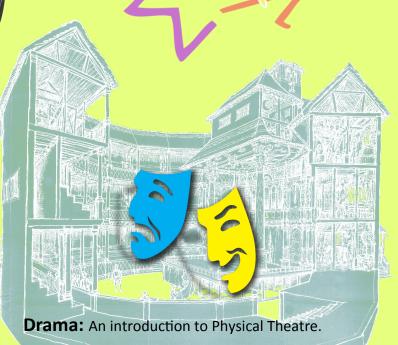
of Pop Art, producing several quick and fun outcomes in response to the starting point of "Celebrity."

Maths: Qualify for Detective Academy by developing your problem solving skills!

Students will be challenged to answer a range of problem solving questions. Students will have to work with determination to be successful, using many of the skills they have been taught in Year 6.

English: Shakespearean Insults!

Have you ever wondered how people insulted each other in Shakespeare's time? Unpick some of his greatest one-liners from 'A Midsummers Night's Dream', using them in Drama and your own creative writing. Then have fun creating some of your own!



Come and join in the fun! A jam-packed session full of lots of games and creative ways to portray your imagination.



Horizon Year 5





Languages: Travel the world by uncovering Language Hola/Здравствуйте/Salut

- Explore the sounds and patterns of Spanish.
- Learn a little Russian and French.
- Meet your new best friends: Mr Cognate and Mrs Dictionary.
- Realise the importance of translation to avoid making embarrassing mistakes.
- And most of all just have fun with language!

PE: Learn the Art of Teamwork

A fun and interactive, multi-skill session that encourages all to participate and improve, giving you a flavour of the summer activities offered at HCC. (Non-contact sports).

Please wear comfortable clothes for PE.

Science: Solve the Case of Emperor Eddie

Eddie had been holding a dinner party for his closest friends and family, when he disappeared to get dessert. Ten minutes later Emperor Eddie was found outside by his wife 'Bird' in the garden, face down in the dirt and directly below his bedroom. It looks like he has fallen through the sliding French doors and off the balcony by accident. The Intergalactic Police have been called to the scene to investigate. They have found a number of pieces of evidence that need to be analysed...

You are the scientists tasked with analysing the evidence so that the Intergalactic Police can work out who did it....

Working in groups of 2 or 3, it is up to you to discover what has happened to Emperor Eddie...

- Was he killed, is it a tragic accident or was he murdered?
- If he was murdered, who killed him and why have they killed him?
- If he committed suicide, why did he do this and who knew about it?
- What is the evidence that confirms your theory?

Your group will complete 4 different activities focused on the pieces of evidence found at the scene of the crime. Your group will also be allocated time to produce a short statement, with the opportunity to present your findings, theory and answers at the end of the session, should you wish to do so.



Horizons Diary Dates

Estimated Collection Times

Boskenwyn, Garras, Halwin Nansloe, Trannack and Wendron		
Drama	Year 6	Tuesday 27th November
Maths	Year 6	Monday 3rd December
Art	Year 6	Monday 21st January
English	Year 6	Monday 11th February
Science	Year 5	Tuesday 12th March
Languages	Year 5	Monday 25th March
PE	Year 5	Monday 20th May

Breage, Germoe, St Hilary and Porthleven			
Drama	Year 6	Wednesday 28th November	
Maths	Year 6	Tuesday 4th December	
Art	Year 6	Tuesday 22nd January	
English	Year 6	Tuesday 12th February	
Science	Year 5	Wednesday 13th March	
Languages	Year 5	Tuesday 26th March	
PE	Year 5	Wednesday 22nd May	

Crowan, Godolphin, Leedstown, Parc Eglos and Sithney		
Drama	Year 6	Thursday 29th November
Maths	Year 6	Thursday 6th December
Art	Year 6	Thursday 24th January
English	Year 6	Thursday 14th February
Science	Year 5	Thursday 14th March
Languages	Year 5	Wednesday 27th March
PE	Year 5	Thursday 23rd May

St Michael's and Any Other School Not Listed		
Drama	Year 6	Friday 30th November
Maths	Year 6	Friday 7th December
Art	Year 6	Friday 25th January
English	Year 6	Friday 15th February
Science	Year 5	Friday 15th March
Languages	Year 5	Friday 29th March
PE	Year 5	Friday 24th May



2.00pm Garras

2.30pm Boskenwyn

3.00pm Trannack



2.45pm Halwin



2.45pm Wendron



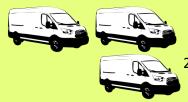
2.45pm Nansloe



2.00pm St Hilary

2.30pm Germoe

2.45pm Breage



2.45pm Porthleven



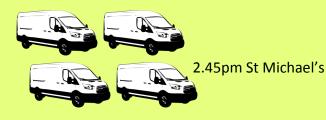
2.30pm Crowan

2.45pm Leedstown

2.30pm Sithney

2.45pm Godolphin

3.00pm Parc Eglos (HCC Staff Collect)



Minibus Home

Estimated return time: Between 4.30pm and 5.00pm

Drop off point: Your child's Primary School



Registration Form

Please return this Registration Form to your Primary School Office by Thursday 15th November 2018

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Contact Details

Name of Student:
Primary School:
Date of Birth:

Year 5 or 6, please state:

Student's Home Address:	
Name of Parent/Carer:	
Telephone Number:	
Name of Parent/Carer:	
Telephone Number:	

Medical Details

Student's Doctors Surgery:	
Surgery Contact Number:	
Name of Doctor:	
Medical Conditions:	
Please specify any medication your child requires e.g. Inhaler, EpiPen.	
Dietary Requirements:	

Photographs

I consent to my child's photograph being used in future publicity material about transition for the College, printed and displayed on the College website only.

YES NO

End of Session Transport

I understand that this transport arrangement will remain the same for all sessions.

MINIBUS TO PRIMARY SCHOOL WALK FROM HCC COLLECTED FROM HCC

Declaration

I have read the information provided by Helston Community College and give permission for my child to participate in the project.

Signed:	Date:
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(Parent/Carer)

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