

Friday 27th June 2025

RE: Update from the Head of Year and Student Form Groups

Dear Parent(s)/Carer(s),

I do hope you and your families are all well and enjoying these warmer days. I am writing to inform you and your child of the house he/she will be in when they join Hagley Catholic High School in September 2025.

I am looking forward to supporting students and families alongside this journey into their secondary education, navigating and embracing the challenges ahead.

The role of a Head of Year encompasses supporting and nurturing the holistic development of students, enabling them to flourish spiritually, academically, emotionally and socially. At Hagley Catholic High School, we pride ourselves on our ambitious standards of academic excellence, maintaining a warm family environment that encourages every student to strive for their personal best. Our dedicated and passionate staff are committed to ensuring that your child's wellbeing remains our utmost priority. In addition to academic rigour, Hagley Catholic High School is grounded in the values and teachings of the Catholic faith. We strongly believe in nurturing the spiritual and moral development of our students – Catholic life is at the heart of our school.

We passionately believe that a strong partnership between school, parents and carers is vital for the success of each student. We strive to foster open communication, transparency and trust, as we work together to provide the best possible education and support for your child. Throughout the academic year, there will be numerous opportunities for us to liaise with you alongside your child's first year here at Hagley via Parent's Evenings, progress reports and communication via email and our digital platform (Arbor) will provide regular updates on your child's progress and any areas that may require additional support.

I am pleased to announce that your son/daughter will be in **ANSELM** house. The coloured stripe on the school tie you need to purchase for your child is **BLUE**. The Form Tutor for **7A** will be **Mr K Smith**.

Students meet daily in their house groups with their form tutor. The form tutor is a key person in ensuring that your child is happy at school. Form groups are deliberately mixed up to enable students to make new friends and are not the same as teaching groups. During the transition days students will take part in ice-breaker activities to get to know their peers and throughout their journey at Hagley will represent their house in competitions, for example, on sports days.

Please note that it is not possible to change house groups until after your child has started at Hagley.

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A reminder that **Intake Information Evening** is on **Monday 30th June 2025**. The **Principal's Talk** will be at **6.00pm** in the **Main Hall**. In addition, our two uniform suppliers; Monkhouse and Hagley Sports will be here so you can purchase school uniform between 3.00-5.30pm and then after 6.45pm in the Sports Hall. The **SENDCO** will deliver a talk at **5.15pm** in the **Hub**. Also available on the evening are our Lead First Aider, Admissions Team and Dedicated Coach Service Provider; Endeavour along with a preloved uniform and stationery sale.

Wednesday 2nd July 2025 to Friday 4th July – Induction Days This year we are delighted to welcome our new year 7 cohort for 3 days. Your child will be welcomed by our staff each day and students should gather under the canopy area for an **8.45am start**. Wednesday and Thursday will finish at 3.00pm whilst Friday will conclude at the slightly earlier time of 2.00pm. Students can remain in school until 3.25pm if going home with a sibling/another student.

During our induction days, your son/daughter will meet their Form Group and take part in a variety of icebreaker and transition activities, including a range of lessons and a Mass service. Students should arrive in their primary school uniform, bring a pen, pencil and packed lunch with a refillable water bottle. Your child must bring with them any inhalers, epi-pens or other relevant medication.

Prior to Induction Day please ensure that you have logged in to the Arbor Parent Portal to provide us with your child's emergency contacts, consent for biometrics (used for the cashless dinner system), GDPR consents and transport information. Should your child have a diagnosed medical condition that may require support/treatment at school or requires the use of aids such as EpiPens or Inhalers, please also ensure that you have informed the school via our Student Medical Condition Form <https://forms.office.com/e/B3kwpgzLgV>

If you require a paper copy of any of the data collection, consent or medical condition forms, copies will be available to complete at the Intake Information Evening.

In September, the first day for Year 7 will be **Wednesday 3rd September 2025**. Students should gather under the canopy in their Hagley school uniform for the start of the school day.

If you have any final queries before the end of term, please contact either myself limrie@emmausmac.com or admissions_hchs@emmausmac.com. Please note that the end of the summer term is **Friday 18th July 2025** and queries sent after this date will not receive an immediate response.

I wish you and your family a happy and restful summer, and from all of us at Hagley we look forward to welcoming you into our school family. I would like to leave you with these words of St Paul in his letter to the Philippians:

"Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus."

Yours sincerely,

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