

Monday 17th April 2023

RE: Welcome to Hagley

Dear Parent(s)/Carer(s),

We are delighted that you have chosen Hagley Catholic High School as the secondary school for your child, and we very much look forward to welcoming you to our school community in the coming months. We have been working closely throughout the year with our feeder primary schools and will continue to do so to ensure the transition to secondary school is as smooth as possible.

We understand that the transition from primary school to secondary school is a big step and to support your son/daughter in this important stage in their life, please make note of some key dates coming up this term.

- An **Intake Information Evening** for parent(s)/carer(s) and students will take place on **Monday 3rd July 2023** at Hagley at 6.00pm. This will include a pop-up uniform shop, which will open from 3.00pm - 5.30pm and will re-open after the Principal's talk at approximately 6.45pm.
- **Induction Day** for all students starting at Hagley in September will take place on **Wednesday 5th July 2023**. This will be a full day at Hagley for your child from 9am - 3.00pm. Further details about this day will be sent out in due course.
- There will be additional transition afternoons for students who are not currently in one of our feeder schools or who would benefit from additional transitional arrangements before the main induction day. Parent(s) and carer(s) will be contacted directly regarding these.
- Staff from Hagley will continue to visit and liaise with Year 6 teachers during the summer term.

Later this term, we will write to provide you with your log on details for Arbor, this is our school's online management information system, where you will be able to check and update your data, such as address and contact details, provide consent for collecting biometric data (a thumb/fingerprint) for the cashless dinner system and additional consents in line with GDPR regulations.

Other Key Information

Uniform

Uniform items can be purchased from Monkhouse Schoolwear Specialists and Hagley Sports. A copy of the uniform policy can be found at [HCHS Uniform Policy 2022 23.pdf \(hagleyrc.worcs.sch.uk\)](https://www.hagleyrc.worcs.sch.uk/HCHS%20Uniform%20Policy%202022%2023.pdf)

Looked After Children

The school can claim up to £2,300 via the School Census for Previously Looked After Children who fit into one of the following categories:

- Adopted after care.
- Subject to a Special Guardianship Order.
- Subject to a Residential Order.
- Subject to a care Order.

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If your child is a 'previously looked after child' and you wish our school, and your child, to benefit from the additional funding, then please contact Mrs Imrie (SENCO and LAC Coordinator) at limrie@emmausmac.com with the student's name(s) and evidence of the relevant order. All information will be treated in the strictest confidence.

Transport

Information regarding transport is available on our school website at [Hagley Catholic High School - Transport \(hagleyrc.worcs.sch.uk\)](http://Hagley Catholic High School - Transport (hagleyrc.worcs.sch.uk)) but please be aware this will be updated again in the summer term once the costs for 2023-24 have been confirmed.

Free School Meals

Entitlement to Free School Meals does not automatically transfer between local authorities. Families will need to re-apply through Worcestershire County Council.

Alternatively, you might not have previously claimed for Free School Meals, but the current climate may mean you are now available to claim this support for your child, and in doing so increase the income for the school to support your children's education too. Please do make the claim for Free School Meals even if you know your child does not want to claim their free meal.

To check your eligibility and to apply for Free School Meals, please visit the Worcestershire County Council website at Free school meals | Worcestershire County Council The Worcestershire Children's First Free Schools Meal Team can be contacted directly on [01905 845280](tel:01905 845280) should you have any specific questions.

ParentPay

The school uses ParentPay for parent(s)/carer(s) to make payments for school trips and meals online. Log-on details for this will be provided in September 2023.

Music Lessons

Hagley runs a comprehensive music programme and tuition is a central part of this. If your child wishes to start learning a musical instrument or continue with individual music lessons, please contact Severn Arts who co-ordinate these.

Final Words

We will keep you updated primarily through email so please check your emails on a regular basis. In the meantime, full information about the school's policies can be found on the school website - <https://www.hagleyrc.worcs.sch.uk/Page/Detail/policies-1> . Please take time to familiarise yourself with these and do keep an eye on the school's social media pages on Facebook (<https://www.facebook.com/hagleyrc/>) and Twitter @_HCHS (https://twitter.com/_HCHS) to keep up to date with all the relevant information, news and events related to the school.

If you do have any queries prior to the Intake Evening on Monday 3rd July, please do not hesitate to contact our Admissions Team who will forward your request onto the correct staff member. The Admissions Team can be contacted at admissions_hchs@emmausmac.com .

We look forward to welcoming you to Hagley and working in partnership with you in the months and years ahead.

Please be assured of our prayers for you and your family.

Yours sincerely,



Mr R Miastowski
Assistant Principal



Mr J Hodgson
Principal