

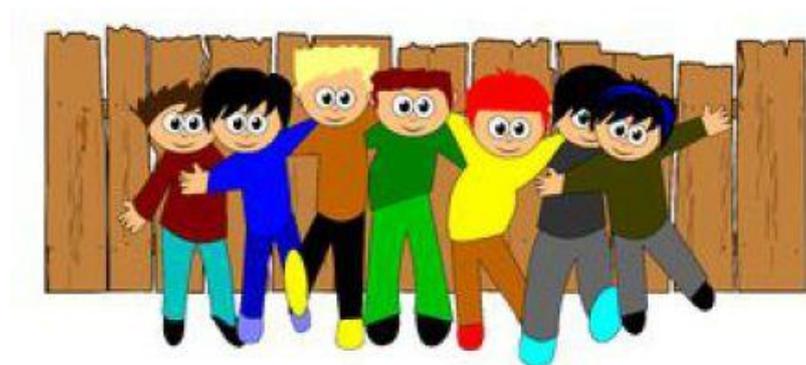
P7 to S1 – Making the move

It can be a scary time for both child and parent when your P7 is moving onto High School, especially if it is your oldest. The transition process at the DEHS is excellent and will start very early in the P7 academic year.

There are four transition days throughout the school year where your child will attend the DEHS with the rest of their class and a member of staff from primary school. These days will happen within the normal school hours of your child's primary school.



During these days your child will be split into groups where they will always be with some members of their own P7 class. Any concerns you have should be raised with your child's class teacher who will pass it on to the transition co-ordinator within the DEHS. These days are all about teamwork where the pupils will visit various departments within the school and complete simple and fun projects.



As the summer holidays approach there are three social evening events held at the DEHS for all the P7 pupils. Activities can vary annually but can range from pool fun to laser quest. One of these events will include parents and will give the opportunity of a tour of the school, with the chance of visiting various classes and meeting some of the teaching staff.

Towards the end of the academic year your child will attend the DEHS as an S1 pupil for what is commonly known as "moving up days". For these three days your child will be a S1 pupil. They will be given their timetable which they will follow and this will be the class they will be in for the whole of S1. If your child requires taking transport to school they will do so for these three days. They will have already have been issued with a bus pass should they require it. You will also be made aware at this time as to who is your child's pupil support teacher.



During the summer holidays the pupils are invited to attend two other fun days.

At all times your P7 teacher will keep you informed of the transition process and the dates you need to know.



If at any time you have concerns please don't keep them to yourself, speak to your child's P7 teacher who will ensure the DEHS are informed.

It really is scarier for the parent than the child!

Please note, the transition process is reviewed & planned annually and so may differ slightly year to year, but rest assured that all involved in it have the needs of your children at the heart of the process.