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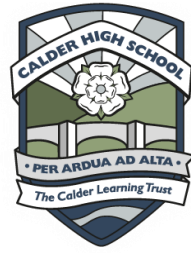
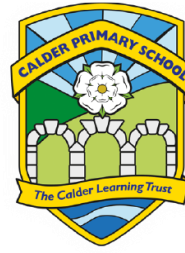
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Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome to Calder High School! We are delighted that your child has been allocated a place at our school and look forward to welcoming them into the Calder family in September 2024. Outlined below are just some of the ways in which we hope to make your child's transition to secondary school as enjoyable and smooth as possible.

An important part of our transition process involves our **Calder Roadshow**: a visit to your child's primary school by either Mr Driver, our Head of Year 7, or a member of our Senior Leadership Team. This visit is for Year 6 students to learn more about life in Year 7 at Calder High and ask any questions they might have. These visits will take place throughout May and June. During this time, your child's current class teacher, and their current SENCO and/or Learning Mentor where appropriate, will also be working with us to help us find out more about them and any additional support they might need with their transition or in Year 7.

Our **Parent/Student Welcome Evening will be held on Thursday 4th July**. This is an opportunity for you to find out more about us and meet members of the Senior Leadership Team, Pastoral Team and Year 7 tutors. We very much encourage both you and your child to attend this event. During the evening there will be a rolling programme of talks, displays and refreshments in various parts of the school. Please come to the Calder High main school entrance for this event.

To allow you the best opportunity to meet staff, we are splitting the evening into three repeat performances. The first session at 5.45pm will take place for parents of students with surnames beginning with letters A-I. The second session starting at 6.30pm will be for parents of students with surnames beginning with the letters J-P and the last at 7.15pm will be for parents of students with surnames beginning with the letters Q-Z.

A further important event is our **Year 6 Student Transition Day on Friday 5th July**. During the course of the day, students will take part in a range of 'getting to know you' activities within their new tutor group and experience what subject lessons are like at secondary school. In addition, all students will have a chance to sample our school meals, cooked fresh on site, free of charge in our diner. At the end of the day, they will also bring home a welcome pack containing all the information they will need for a successful start to Year 7. This also includes a welcome postcard from one of our current Year 7 students.

Another transition event we encourage you to attend is the PTA New Parent Social and **Year 6 House Quiz on Tuesday 9th July at 6pm**. This is an ideal opportunity to meet other new and existing parents in an informal setting whilst your child participates in their first House competition in the diner. The evening lasts about one hour and has always been popular for parents and students.

Finally, this year our ever-popular **Summer School** will take place in the week beginning **Monday 19th August**. This is another good way for students to make new friends and familiarise themselves with the school site, as well as having fun! A further communication will be sent out with more details and costings in the next few weeks.

On the first day of term in September, we have a staggered start for different year groups to support Year 7 to settle in. **The first day of term for Year 7 students will be Wednesday 4th September**. Staff will be at the front of the school to welcome them at **8.25am**.

Finally, we understand that moving on to secondary school is an exciting time, but it is also a big change for both children and parents/carers and we want to work with you to help make the process as smooth as possible. If you have any questions or would like to find out more about transition or other key school information such as uniform, school meals or term dates, you can visit the transition page of our school website: [click here](#)

If you need any further help, please contact our office on parentenquiry@calderlearningtrust.com or by telephone 01422 883213.

We look forward to meeting you soon.

Yours sincerely,



Mr A Taylor
Head of Calder High School



Mr C Washington
**Transition Lead and
Associate Deputy Headteacher**

Everybody, Everyday

