

Questions asked about Transition of year 6 students to Sir Henry Floyd Grammar School (September 2021)

Q1: Do we know when information will be sent out about buses?

A: Unfortunately, no. This information comes from the transport dept of county council. Contact Buckinghamshire County Council.

Please see our website for the <u>Transport page</u>

Q2: Do parents need to pay for the lockers at school?

A: Yes they do. An email request for payment will be sent via ParentMail in early September.

Q3: Is the Parent presentation being sent out?

A: Yes, the presentation is on the website, under Transition Presentations for further reference.

Q4: When will the students know about what working group they're in/what languages they are doing?

A: An email was sent on Monday 12th July.

Q5: Was there an email to confirm payment or order of the chromebook? **A:** A reminder email has been sent 7th July.

Q6: Does the canteen have both halal service and halal food? A: Yes, it does.

Q7: Do the pupils study the same two languages up until Year 9?

A:Yes they do, in order to build a solid foundation for possible GCSE selection.

Q8: Kindly provide more details of student classes divided between 7.1 to 7.6. On what basis are these student groups divided (is it academic performance in 11 Plus exams)?

A: There is no performance related criteria for organising the classes. We aim to create an equal balance spread across: gender, SEND, Pupil Premium, different primary schools and 11+ scores.

Q9: Can my child select two languages to study?

A: Classes and thus languages have now been allocated to students. Selection of languages is not possible, but please don't worry if your child has started to study a different language at primary school. Our language teachers will ensure that all students know the starting basics before progressing.

Q10: If the Canteen is opening on the first day of the school, will cash be accepted?

A: Cash is not accepted in the canteen. Please send a packed lunch with your child for the first day on Friday 3 September. This will allow us time to ensure that our cashless catering system is working for all students and give you, as parents, the weekend to "top up" money into your child's account for food.

Q11: Parent's Society and office email addresses bounce back - could you please provide where we can find a list of correct email addresses ?

A: These are on the school website here.

Q12: Is ParentMail the portal to pay for top-ups for canteen, trips, events, etc.?

A: Yes, that is correct. All payments/purchases should go through ParentMail.

Q13: My daughter is keen to start learning the guitar next year and I wondered if that's something we can book through the school?

A: Please refer to the forms at the bottom of this <u>page</u>.

Q14: Other questions included what to do with chromebooks they already owned to get then 'registered' for school use.

A: If you are purchasing a Chromebook (no iPads/laptops) yourself for your child please remember to pay the Parentmail £25 for a google license and arrange for the Chromebook to be brought to our IT department in August so that your child has it ready for the first day in September. The google form for signing up for bringing in your Chromebook to school can be access here:

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Q15: Where can we find a kit list?

A: Uniform list can be found on the <u>school website</u>. Other aspects of the school kit were sent to parents in the Welcome Pack in March. Please note the correct link for Kit Locker for the PE kit:

https://www.kitlocker.com/sirhenryfloydgrammar/

Q16: What should students do with wet coats? Can they wear coats between lessons in bad weather?

A: Coats are left in their lockers- students are not expected to carry them around with them.

Q17: I am not receiving emails from SchoolComms and ParentMail, what should I do?

A: Please add <u>info@parentmail.co.uk</u> and <u>SC8254065a@schoolcomms.com</u> to your address book as a safe sender/recipient. If this does not resolve the problem, please let us know by email <u>office@sirhenryfloyd.co.uk</u>