



Student Life at Sheldon

Our current students share their advice for making the transition to Year 7

Making Friends

Hi New Year 7s,

Making friends can be really hard for some people right? So, here's some advice on it. I came from a smaller school so when I first joined, I only had a few people that I knew which is why being in a tutor really helps!

At Sheldon you'll get put into a tutor group which is a wonderful opportunity for you to make some new friends. Although the subject of being in a tutor may worry you, it's fine as most of your tutor group will become great friends and will be like a second family because you see them daily!

On your transition days, you will do some activities to help you get to know these new people and get to bond with them. Obviously, your tutor group isn't the only people you can make friends with as joining clubs and doing other activities is a terrific way to know new people with similar interests as you.

I hope this helps with your journey to Sheldon. Have fun in your journey to secondary school!

-Summer



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Pastoral Support

Mrs Hall – Head of Year

Mrs Hall will be your Head of Year next year and will stay with you until you leave at the end of Year 11 in 2030. She is someone you can talk to when something happens or you need support.

Miss Clancy – Deputy Head of Year

Miss Clancy is another member of staff who is there to offer help and that you can go to when needed. She supports Mrs Hall as part of the Pastoral Team and will also be a tutor—so you may be in her group.

Mrs Barnes – Pastoral Lead

Mrs Barnes is also based in the Head of Year Office and she will give pastoral support when needed.

*-Jake, Maiya, Lola,
Isabella and Tiffany*



Mrs Hall
Head of Year



Miss Clancy
Deputy Head of Year



Miss Kilbane
Deputy Head of Year



Mrs Barnes
Pastoral Lead



Homework

Dear New Year 7s,

Homework in primary school is very different to secondary school, but not in a bad way!

Sheldon recently changed how homework works. You now have a very clear homework timetable and around two pieces of homework set each day. This is normally a Microsoft Forms multiple choice quiz and your teachers will give you reminders about homework and when it is due. You can also find your homework planner online to help you stay organised.

You don't need to stress about homework, but if you need help you can always ask your teacher, a friend or a family member.

- Jacob and Erica

	M	T	W	Th	F
Week 1	English Geography	ICT PE	Math MFL	Science History	PSRE Drama
Week 2	English Art	DT Music	Math MFL	Science Dance	



In most subjects such as English and history, you get set a multiple-choice quiz on Microsoft Forms. They are normally around 10-15 questions and are based on your previous learning from lessons. Some homework requires you to watch a short video or read a short text in order to be able to answer the questions. You should spend around 20 minutes on your homework in Year 7.

Maths is a little bit different. In maths, we use a website called Sparx. A piece of homework is set each week based on what you've been learning in class.

- Rojus, Suvan and Tilly



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Year 7 Camp

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I hope you guys are looking forward to secondary school.

I understand you may be feeling nervous and a bit excited, but try to look on the positive side of secondary school life.

Sheldon School will offer new friendships, opportunities and experiences, such as the Year 7 Camp. When I went, it was amazing! We got to put up our own tents, have a bonfire, take part in archery or shooting and lots more.

Keep in mind that you aren't forced to go but I strongly recommend that you do as it is a great way to make new friends. The teachers provide support and help on the trip and you'll have a brilliant time.

Top tips for camp:

- **Try to get as much sleep as possible (make sure it's a good one) as having no sleep means getting up in the morning is a bit more difficult.**
- **Make the most of your time at camp because it flies by quickly.**
- **Have fun! It will be awesome as having fun will make you laugh and help you make friends.**

Hope you have a brilliant time on camp and at Sheldon.

Good luck!

- Toby

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Classes

In secondary school, you'll be moving around the school site for each of your classes. At Sheldon, our timetable has 6 periods (50-minute lessons). Even though this can feel a bit intimidating at first, you soon find your way around.

On your timetable, you will find the subject, your teacher's initials and the classroom.

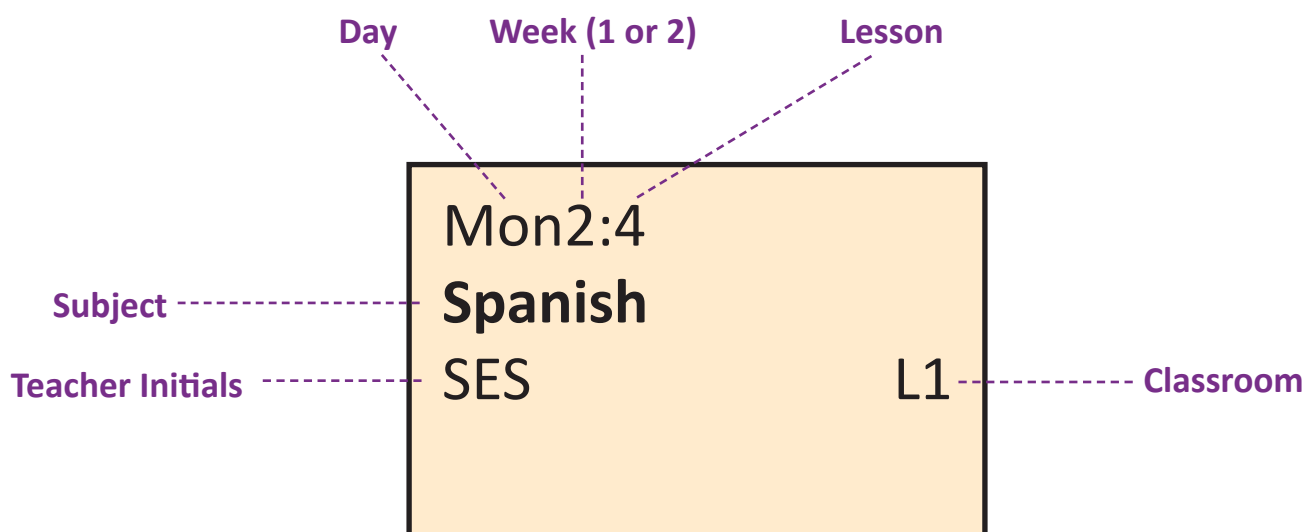
You'll need to check your timetable and make sure you have the right books and equipment for each day. I'd recommend packing your bag the night before so you don't forget anything.

That's everything from me!

Good luck!

- Joe

Your timetable will look like this:



Clubs

Dear New Year 7s,

At Sheldon School, we have an amazing variety of clubs for you to enjoy. As there are so many types of clubs, you should be able to find something you'd enjoy.

We have: sports teams, Lego challenges, science clubs and even stuff like Pokémon Club! Not only do we have these after school, there are many during lunchtime like gardening club or board games club.

Year 7 students can also get involved in our school productions for music, dance and drama!

- Summer, Angel, Evie,
Robert and Amber



We have lots of clubs at Sheldon and they are a great way to find people who have similar interests to you.

There are clubs running every day for you to enjoy. They vary from art to music, sport to science.

If you want a club, Sheldon probably has it. You can even recommend new clubs to teachers.

Clubs tend to take place 3-4pm or during lunchtime on a weekly basis.

We hope you enjoy the clubs at Sheldon.

- Millie, Amelie and Amber



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