



Poynton High School and Performing Arts College

Head Teacher: Mr M Dean

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Dear Parents and Carers

I am writing to congratulate your son/daughter on gaining a place to join our Year 7 in September and to welcome you to a partnership that will support your child over the next few years. We are looking forward to welcoming them to our school community and over the next few months we will be working closely with you, your child and the primary schools to ensure a really successful transition from primary to secondary school.

Your child has started on an exciting journey that will take them up to their GCSEs in 2026 and for most, will continue in our large Sixth Form, to 2028. Over these years they will develop the skills, knowledge and experience that will equip them to move successfully into the world of work or university. One of the privileges of teaching is to be able to guide students through these really important years.

Young people can be confident that as a student at Poynton High they will be part of a school that achieves consistently outstanding examination results at both GCSE and A level. Every day is a chance to be their best and I am sure that they will approach their learning in Year 7 with real enthusiasm and as a result will make rapid progress.

They will have the opportunity to study a wide range of subjects, many of which will be new to them. Our curriculum has a strong academic core but we also recognise the importance of a wider curriculum for students' development and all students will continue to study Drama, Product Design, Textiles, Food, Music, Art, PE and Computing in Years 7-9 and will have the opportunity to continue these at GCSE. Equally important are the extra-curricular opportunities and it is always impressive to see Year 7 students confidently joining the school show, the choir, dance clubs, sports teams and many more. These activities are a great opportunity for students to make new friends, develop skills and in some cases to build their future career!

I would encourage you to follow us on twitter where you will see regular updates on what is happening at school. The main school twitter account is @PoyntonHigh. There is also a transition twitter account @PHS_Transition. We also have a dedicated section on our website for transition and this will be updated regularly with information and activities that will be really useful to you and your child. This can be found at <https://www.phs.cheshire.sch.uk/transition2021>.

Mr Eddie Latch, Director of Learning for Year 7 & Transition will be contacting you separately with further admissions information.

Poynton High is a truly great school and I hope that your child is excited about the opportunities and support that will be available. I very much look forward to welcoming your son/daughter to our school community and I am also pleased to welcome you to a partnership that will ensure that your child achieves and enjoys their time with us.

Yours faithfully

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