



Weekly Transition Newsletter

WELCOME FROM THE HEADTEACHER

How exciting! Our new Year 7 pupils will soon be joining us, and we are really looking forward to meeting them all. These are not normal times to be welcoming new pupils so we cannot do many of the things we would like to do to personally greet and welcome everyone this term. However, this school always rises to a challenge and has always made the education and welfare of its pupils a priority. I am, therefore, incredibly pleased to be able to start to welcome each one of you whether parent/carer or child, in a socially distanced and safe way through this newsletter. This newsletter and future editions, together with emails, virtual talks, and meetings, will guide everyone through to a successful start to secondary education. We are thrilled that so many of you chose Townsend and will do our very best to provide you with the quality and care we pride ourselves with. So – a very very big welcome and I so much look forward to a time where I can greet each one of you personally.

A Wellbeloved
Headteacher

WELCOME FROM MISS GORDON

Welcome to Townsend Church of England School! I am delighted to be your Director of Learning (Head of Year) from September. I know that you must feel that your journey to secondary school hasn't started properly yet and that you must have so many questions. Having worked in primary and secondary schools, please be assured that I do know where you have come from and I do have a clear vision of what is needed ahead of us. Together we are starting the journey - a new chapter in your life. Exciting, challenging and fun - I cannot wait to meet each student as I have heard so much from the primary school current teachers. For now, welcome, stay safe and you'll hear more from me next week.

ACTION FOR HAPPINESS

This **Joyful June** Calendar has daily actions for **June 2020** to help us look for what is good even in difficult times. You can find the whole calendar by following the link or see what you can achieve next week.
<https://www.actionforhappiness.org/joyful-june>

22 Share a happy memory with someone who means a lot to you

23 Look for something to be thankful for where you least expect it

24 Thank a friend for the joy they bring into your life

25 Eat food that makes you feel good and really savour it

26 See the upside in a difficult situation you learnt from

27 Watch something funny and enjoy how it feels to laugh

28 Create a playlist of your favourite songs and enjoy them

LEARNING DISABILITY WEEK

Create a friendship flag: We know that many people, including those with a learning disability, will be unable to see their friends at present. So, Mencap have created a pack to help you have a fun video call with your friends! The pack includes how to make a friendship flag which you could make before your video call that shows all the things you like or miss about your friend. Find it by following the link and scrolling down. <https://www.mencap.org.uk/get-involved/learning-disability-week-2020#involved>

Dates for your diary

26th June
Transition webpage goes live!

1st July
Form groups announced

8th July
Zoom form time sessions

9th July
Parent Q&A

13th July
Collective Worship

Ask us a question...

https://padlet.com/missgordontownsend/transition_2020

Students: Follow the link and add your question to the board.



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