

Hellesdon High School's English Transition Booklet!



Your name:

Dear future student,

We wanted to write to you to let you know how much we are looking forward to you joining our school.

We will be asking you to tell us about yourself so we wanted to give you some information about us, too!

Mr Champion



I'm the head of the English Department here at Hellesdon High School. I'm really looking forward to meeting you all when you join us in Year 7. Even if I don't teach you, you can always speak to me if you have any questions about your English lessons, or if you'd like to show me your excellent work!

Mr Galley



I like old films, Norwich City, and all kinds of books, but especially horror stories. My all time favourite novel is Dracula by Bram Stoker.

Miss Baker



Hello! I'm Miss Baker and I devour books for breakfast, lunch and dinner. The tastiest texts (in my opinion) feature ordinary people who achieve amazing things. Does that sound like you?

Miss Beardmore



My favourite children's book is 'Matilda' by Roald Dahl and I am lucky to have taught English in three different continents around the world. In my spare time, I love to make things and enjoy playing with my kitten, Bella.

Mr Brailsford



I have taught English at HHS since 2007 and am currently a 6th Form tutor as well. I love sport and music and particularly enjoy historical fiction but spend a lot of time reading Winnie the Pooh and Percy the Park Keeper with my three year old son!

Mr Cutter



"I am passionate about football and the power of the English language and how versatile it is. I love stories that transport you to other places and realms, and move you emotionally. Literature that has the ability to change the way you look at the world is also exciting. Nature is another thing that fascinates me. I look forward to learning about you and what you like and love when you come to Hellesdon High."

Mr Franks



Books and English games are my favourite things. I love stories where the characters have to adventure to exciting places to solve mysteries.

Mrs Percival



I love reading and nearly always have my head stuck in a book. I'll read most things and love to talk to people about what they're reading too! I'm looking forward to talking about books with you come September!

Mrs Towler



Obviously, being an English teacher, one of my favourite things to do is curl up with a good book. I'm currently reading a book about the Great Fire of London because I used to work in London and it's interesting to find out more about the places I walked around during my lunch breaks.

When I'm not reading I love walking in the countryside (usually with my husband and our dog, Honey). I'm pretty creative and like to make things to decorate my home. I also play the piano and I'm teaching myself to play the harp, too.

I'm really looking forward to meeting you and finding out more about what you like when we are able to go to school again.

Miss Wyer



"I absolutely love teaching English! I think books are magic: you can be sitting at home until you open a book and suddenly you're in a different world! I read a lot in my spare time and love having conversations about what you're reading - even if I don't teach you!"

We also have an amazing library with some brilliant librarians who are always happy to help you find a book that you might enjoy.

To help us get to know you, we would like you to take your time to complete the tasks in this booklet to show us a little bit about you.

We look forward to meeting you soon!

Yours faithfully,

The HHS English Department

Task One: All About You

Please use the space below to tell us about you and the things that you enjoy! Be creative. You can do this however you would like! Some ideas from previous years are:

- A collage of photos and drawings
- A mind map
- Some writing/a letter
- Some drawings with captions

Task Two: Book Review!

Think about your favourite book or a book that you have recently read.
Please fill in the sheet to complete your book review!

Write your book review title here!

Draw the front cover of the book
here.

What is the book about?

What was your favourite part of the book? Why?

What was your least favourite part of the book? Why?

Who would like this book?

How many stars would you give
this book?

Task Three: Write a story!

We are always really impressed by how creative our Year 7 students are and we would love to see what you can do!

Choose one of the following options:

1. Write a story with the title: 'The Hidden Door.'

OR

2. Write a story based on the photo below:



Your chosen title:

Your work:





