

**BACUP AND  
RAWTENSTALL  
GRAMMAR SCHOOL**



**YEAR 7  
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INFORMATION FOR PARENTS**



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## Welcome to BRGS

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We hope that the next five or seven years will be happy and productive ones for you and your child.

The transition from primary to secondary school is a major step in every child's life and, in partnership with you, we should like to ensure that it is both exciting and invigorating, a key learning process. Change can be a daunting experience: it can make a child feel inadequate and lead to a lack of confidence. This is a time when your child will need support. He or she may be anxious or worried about the complex curriculum into which s/he is to be plunged: the compartmentalised day; the host of new teachers; the endless corridors of specialist rooms; homework. Even something for which they have been yearning so long - independence - can suddenly be disquieting, as they wonder how they will manage the travel to and from school and the choices facing them at lunch-time. If we work together, this time of change can lead to very positive experiences: to a realisation of personal resources and strengths, to achievement and fulfilment, increased confidence and self-esteem. All our children, however confident on the surface, will be suffering from some anxieties through the summer holidays and in the first few weeks of the autumn term. This is perfectly natural. If together we take time to listen and understand we may be able to remove a few rocks and make the path smoother. Please keep in touch with your child's Form Tutor and Head of Year: keep us informed of worries - and achievements!

The information contained in this booklet will, we hope, ease you into life at BRGS. We hope you will read the information carefully and share it with your son or daughter.