



# Holy Family Catholic High School

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Dear Parents and Students

I hope you and your children are keeping well and glad that the SATs tests are now complete.

I am hoping to send you regular updates with relevant information weeks before the summer holiday.

This week, I would like to introduce you to an exciting project that I would like as many as possible to get involved in between now and September. '**Be Awesome, Go Big**' is an interactive package to help Year 6 students' transition into secondary school. It can be used by students and parents at home and is designed to be motivational, helpful and reassuring and to help young people feel valued, loved, encouraged and equipped for the journey ahead. There are nine tasks and students should work through the resources at their own pace. Having used this with my own child, I think it is a great activity in preparation for moving to 'big' school. The resources are based on the bestselling children's books **You Are Awesome** by Matthew Syed and **Go Big: The secondary school survival guide** by Matthew Burton, but you do not have to purchase the books to complete the tasks.

You can access all the resources (for pupils and parents) by following this link:

<https://www.hachetteschools.co.uk/the-be-awesome-go-big-transition-project/>

These resources include a booklet that can be worked through alongside the presentation and videos.

I'd also like you to know that over the next few weeks we will be sending you information including:

- Year 7 Parents' Information Booklet
- Transition Day arrangements – Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> June 2024.
- New Intake Welcome Evening – Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> June 2024.
- Scopay - Payment system logins
- PE kit update (discount weeks and Pupil Premium/Free School Meals discount codes).

There have also been several questions about potential summer school activity days. We have some building work scheduled for the summer and are awaiting confirmation of what, if any, of the school site we will be allowed to use. I hope to know more very soon.

I hope you continue to keep safe and well, and I will be in touch again soon.

Yours sincerely

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Visit the Year 6 to 7 transition pages on our website at <https://holyfamilyhighschool.co.uk/about-us/y6-new-starters>