

## **Neale Wade Academy Yr 6 Transition - Frequently Asked Questions**

*These are the most frequently asked questions by pupils before they arrive. We hope the answers are helpful. If you have any further questions which aren't covered here, please do get in touch with Miss Copeland who will be happy to answer your questions.*

### **Do we have lockers?**

We don't have lockers, you take your bags and belongings around with you.

### **Are we allowed to use the toilet during lessons?**

If you have a toilet pass for medical reasons (you need permission from the Year 7 office) you are allowed to. We prefer you to try to use the toilet at break, lunch and in between lessons. If you really need the toilet do ask your teacher though.

### **Are we allowed to bring phones to school?**

Yes, you are, but you can only use phones outside the building before and after school. They must be switched off and in your bag during the school day.

### **Do you have detentions?**

You only get a detention if you receive a C2 in a lesson, which is part of the behaviour system. The first time a student behaves badly, they will be given a warning. If it happens again with that same student, they then get what's called a C1. If it happens for a third time, that student will receive a C2, which is the detention. These are all logged on GO (more about that later).

### **Do we get rewards for positive behaviour?**

You can earn stars and orbits for excellent work in class. There are lots of other positives you can earn too, such as community spirit. In our Year 7 Assembly there are rewards for the most points and excellent attendance.

Sometimes, your teacher may send a postcard sent to your house telling your family about your good behaviour or work.

### **Is there a homework club?**

Yes! Afterschool in G43 (a nice small classroom where there are some computers you can use) – an adult will be in there to support you with your homework.

### **When is the library open?**

It is open every day during school hours and it closes at 4:30pm.

### **I've heard about GO - what is it?**

GO for schools is a programme we use to record all your positive points, attendance, homework and assessment results. You and your family will be able to see it from home

### **Will I get an email address?**

Yes, all students have a computer log-in and their own email address. It's really useful, you can email your teachers directly with your work.

### **Are there any after-school clubs?**

Yes there are lots of clubs and activities you can join in with. Your form teacher will tell you when different clubs are on, and there is a poster in your form room. All the clubs at NWA are free & open to everyone.

### **How much homework will we get?**

You will have a homework booklet with all your tasks in for the term. The booklet tells you which tasks you have to do and your teachers will tell you when the homework has to be done by. You get used to organising your time and planning your homework.

### **What if I'm not with my friends from Primary school?**

You will be with someone else from your primary school in your form group. You will see the other Year 7s at break and lunch, and you soon make friends with people from other schools.

### **Advice and Top Tips**

*Here is some advice and top tips from Year 7. We hope it reassures you that everyone is in the same boat and you will not be alone.*

It's normal to feel nervous – it will be OK!

Don't worry about getting lost when you join NWA – there are loads of people around all the time who will be able to help you, and you are never on your own.

Try to join a club or go along to something, it's the best way to meet people from other schools.

If you are worried about something tell someone, there are loads of people to support you at NWA

You'll have information on your timetable to show you where to go and when.

Try to get into a routine and be organised with your homework

