



# WEST HILL SCHOOL

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## Year 7 Transition Survey

Dear Parent/Carer,

Thank you for your recent feedback when we asked your opinions of you and your son's experiences of transition and the form tutor consultation. About 40% of our parents responded and we feel it is important to communicate our findings with you. Above all we want to do more of what we are doing well and make changes where we could be doing better; your support helps us do that.

In terms of overall feedback, we are pleased that 96% of respondents felt their son has made a successful transition to West Hill School. And our summer school was a big hit with 90% agreeing that this time really helped their son settle into West Hill; comments from our potential new year 7 parents have also shown us how much you valued this time. The same number of parents felt supported by the information they received from us during transition, the usefulness of our website and, most importantly, also feel that their son is receiving work appropriate to his ability.

We do however, take on board the feedback that a lesser number of parents (74%) felt confident in knowing how to contact an appropriate member of staff and I would like to draw your attention to the 'Keeping in touch' page of our website <https://www.westhillschool.co.uk/west-hill-words-keeping-in-touch>. Here you will find a contact us link and lots of valuable information about how you can keep up to date with school life. To contact any member of staff please use this link at any time and your contact request will be directed to the appropriate member of staff.

We do understand your comments that you would have preferred longer appointment slots for the form tutor consultation and we would like to reassure you that we will keep you up-to-date with your son's progress throughout the year with assessment reports and a subject parents' consultation. You will have received a recent letter with the important dates for you to calendar. A reminder of the letter can be found here: <https://www.westhillschool.co.uk/parents/letters-home>.

The transition survey also asked questions about whether we have dealt with any issues or concerns and whilst the feedback was mainly positive (85% agreed/strongly agreed) we are aware that some parents did not agree. As the survey was anonymous we urge you to get in touch using the contact button so we can help support your son in making the very best transition or contact your son's Head of Year, Mrs Barton: [abarton@westhillschool.co.uk](mailto:abarton@westhillschool.co.uk).

As always, we appreciate and value your feedback.

Yours faithfully,

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