



Year 6 to 7 FAQs

The following table shows the most frequently asked questions from students and parents around this time of year.

During the summer holidays	
Does my child need to complete any work?	All students need to read the book that was sent home called <i>How To Train a Dragon</i> . Students will discuss this book on the first two days at school. We also encourage students to complete the numeracy work, have fun with the recipes and complete the summer projects set.
What if I have any questions during the summer holidays?	The Nobel School is closed for the summer holidays from the 21 st July to the 1 st September. During this time, we aim to answer emails within 3-5 days. There will be no-one manning the reception so please email the Head of Year 7 on matthew.jones@nobel.herts.sch.uk
First Day	
What time do I need to be at school?	8:15am at the green gates The school gates will close every day at 8:25am
What form class will my child be in?	Your child will receive their form group and house when they come to Transition Day. This is always an exciting time for our students and we're looking forward to students meeting their form tutor.
What uniform do I need to wear on my first day?	Blazer, blue shirt, pleated skirt or smart trousers, smart black shoes (no trainers).
When will I get my timetable?	You will receive your timetable on Friday 2 nd September. You will be given two copies, one for your planner and one for the fridge at home.
When will I get my tie?	We are asking that parents/carers pre order ties so that they can receive them on Transition day. You will then be given some time on the first day to practice putting your tie on.
What else do I need to bring?	A schoolbag large enough to carry exercise books and containing: A pencil case (see below for full stationery list) notebook, snack and a drink (water or squash). You do not need your PE kit on the first day.
Do I need to bring my transition work?	Yes! Please bring your Transition Booklet and How to Train a Dragon for the first two days.

	Transition work that is complete can be brought in on the first day of school.
What if I am missing a piece of stationary?	Please check your bag and pencil case each night to ensure this does not happen.
What about lunch?	A school dinner will be given to you on the first day. However, you can bring your own packed lunch if you wish.
What time will I finish?	Our school day finishes at 3:15pm
Can I bring my bike or scooter?	Yes of course! Just make sure you bring a lock. You must wear a helmet , this can be stored in your form room or locked to your bike (E-scooters due to the legal nature of them not being allowed on public roads/paths are of course prohibited.)
PE Kit	
What PE kit do I need to bring in for my first PE lesson?	Shorts/joggers, polo shirt, Nobel socks and trainers. You will then be told what sport specific equipment you may need to pack.
Will I need football boots, gum shield and shin pads?	There will be times this year when you will need the equipment, you will be told in advance when this will be by your PE Teacher.
Curriculum Questions	
What language will I study?	Spanish, German or French, you will find out which language on your first day!
How much homework will I be set?	You will receive 30 minutes a night in homework plus you are expected to read for 30 minutes a night and log this in your reading log. You will receive guidance and support on this in September.
Pastoral Questions	
What if I get lost?	Ask anyone at Nobel for help. People are always around to support. You will also have a tour in your first two days.
Will I get a locker?	Lockers are £5. You will be given a key and when you return your key, your £5 will be returned to you. These are offered on a first come first serve basis and can be secured ahead of your first day.
What do I do if someone is being unkind to me in school?	Speak to your form tutor. You will see them every day and it is their job to make sure you are happy at school.
What do I do if someone has been unkind on social media or WhatsApp?	Year 7 students must not have the following accounts as they are not old enough: Whatsapp Facebook Tiktok Snapchat Instagram

	You do have a school email, if you receive anything unkind or inappropriate please report it to your form tutor or head of year.
Questions for parents/carers	
What do I do if my child is not feeling well?	Please aim for 100% attendance. Every day missed is five hours of learning missed. If they cannot attend school, call the school main number.
What do I do if my child is presenting with COVID symptoms?	Please keep them at home and notify the school.
What if we are still waiting for a piece of uniform to be delivered?	Please do not worry, send your son/daughter in with a note explaining the situation. We do have a small supply of uniform that can be lent. Where shoes are unavailable we ask students to wear plimsolls we provide.
Who do I contact at the school for any reason?	Pastoral issues (unkindness, issues at home, changes in circumstances)- Form Tutor Your child is unsafe at home or school- Mr Jones or Mrs Champion General Admin- Reception Concerns with a lesson. Please email the relevant member of staff from the school website to discuss any issues. Do remember that staff are teaching throughout the day and will respond within 48 hours.

Being prepared for learning

Ahead of the summer break I wanted to remind you that students should all have the following equipment with them every day:

- Several blue or black pens suitable for handwriting
- Several HB and 2H pencils
- A pencil sharpener
- An eraser
- A 30cm ruler
- A green biro for responding to feedback
- A pair of compasses
- A protractor
- Coloured pencils
- A glue stick

All of this should be in a named pencil case.

Books covers that were issued at the start of this year can be taken off of exercise books and brought back in to school in September to cover the new books students will be given in Years 7-10.

In addition students should also have the following with them on a daily basis.

- A scientific calculator (The Maths department recommend the Casio FX-83GTX classwiz which can currently be purchased directly from them for £8.50)
- A reading book
- Their planner (issued by the school)

Having the right equipment speeds up the organisation of lessons and provides more time for learning. Please can you check with your child and obtain any equipment that they are missing before the start of term in September?

Please help your child to stay organised throughout the year by regularly checking their equipment and replacing items before they run out.