

Transition Bulletin

Message from Miss Goode

Dear our newest member of Beccles,

We are very excited that you will be starting at SET Beccles School in September and hope you are too. Like you, I am a fairly new member of SET Beccles School, as I started in January 2021, so I know you have made a great choice. We are incredibly proud of our supportive culture and the school is moving in a really positive direction with lots of exciting developments and opportunities for you during your secondary school education. This year is rather extraordinary but here at SET Beccles School we still want to offer you the very best transition process so you are confident about starting in September. I hope this Bulletin reassures you that you will get an opportunity to meet staff and students; get to know the building and help us learn a little about you as well. The time between now and September might be a little different but one thing that hasn't changed is our commitment to giving you and your family the right support at this really important part of your education.

Please read and enjoy your first family Bulletin which has important information about your next steps.

Miss Goode (Assistant Head of School)



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First Challenge

Over the next few months, we will be setting a series of fun challenges for you to complete. These offer an opportunity to show off your skills and individuality by introducing yourself in a creative way!

Your first challenge allows you to be as creative and as imaginative as you want. The task is to teach us a little about you. We want to learn two or three things about you and you can do this in any way you wish.

Some examples are; a picture, painting, slide show, video, song, sculpture, dance or news report. If you do not do this on a computer, you can take a picture or video. When we are back at School, please bring it and we will display these in School.

Please email your challenge to cgoode@seckfordeducation.org.uk by Monday 7 June 2021.

Key Members of Staff

Here are some of the staff you will hear about, meet and get to know over the coming months.



Mr Barrow – Executive Headteacher & CEO

Favourite book: Theory of Justice by John Rawls

Mrs Philpott – Head of School

Role in the school: I lead the School on a daily basis. You will see me in assemblies, in your lessons and around the school site.

Favourite book: Hunger games - Suzanne Collins

Most interesting fact: My Grandad fought in both World War I and World War 2.



Miss Goode – Assistant Head of School (Year 7 -9)

Role in the school: I look after all students in Year 7-9 and teach Drama.

Favourite book: Alex As Well by Alyssa Brugman

Most interesting fact: Shakespeare's Globe is the only building in London allowed to have a thatched roof since the Great Fire in 1666

Mr Willgress – Assistant Head of School (Year 10-11)

Role in the school: I look after all students in Year 10-11 and teach Maths.

Favourite book: On Fire, My story of England's Summer to Remember

Most interesting fact: I was fourth official for Norwich City v Brighton in the Premier League.



Miss Reeve – SENCo

Role in the school: I am responsible for supporting all of our students to achieve the very best outcome, particularly with any students who have a special educational need or other obstacles.

One of my favourite book from the last year was: The boy, the mole, the fox and the horse

An interesting fact: This academic year I have raised £600 for The Royal Marsden Cancer Charity, taking part in a variety of fitness challenges.



Miss Woods – Pastoral Support Officer

Role in the school: Pastoral Support/Designated Safeguarding Lead. Team Leader for Year 11.

Favourite book: Educated by Tara Westover

Most interesting fact: I love to sing, I even once auditioned for the X Factor (I was 15!!)

Miss White – Attendance/Admission Officer

Role in the school: Attendance and Admissions Officer and Designated Safeguarding Lead.

Favourite book: Matilda by Roald Dahl

Most interesting fact: The world's smelliest fruit is the durian. It is popular in Asia but has been banned from public transport in Thailand, Japan and Hong Kong because it smells sooooo bad! But the custardy flesh actually tastes sweet.



Miss Kett – Pastoral Support Assistant

Role in the school: Pastoral Support. I am here to offer support and care to all students. Team Leader for Year 8.

Favourite book: Normal People

Most interesting fact: I have two pet tortoises.

Miss Clark – Pastoral Support Assistant

Role in school: I work as a PSA. I have always worked with young people that have sometimes struggled for a whole variety of reasons.

I am trained in a regulation play therapy and also a trained ELSA (Emotional Literacy Support Assistant) supporting students with their social, emotional and mental health.

Favourite Book: To kill a mockingbird.

Interesting fact: I love travelling. I lived in America for two years. My favourite place is Arizona. I also lived in Brussels, communicating with the French I learned whilst at school.



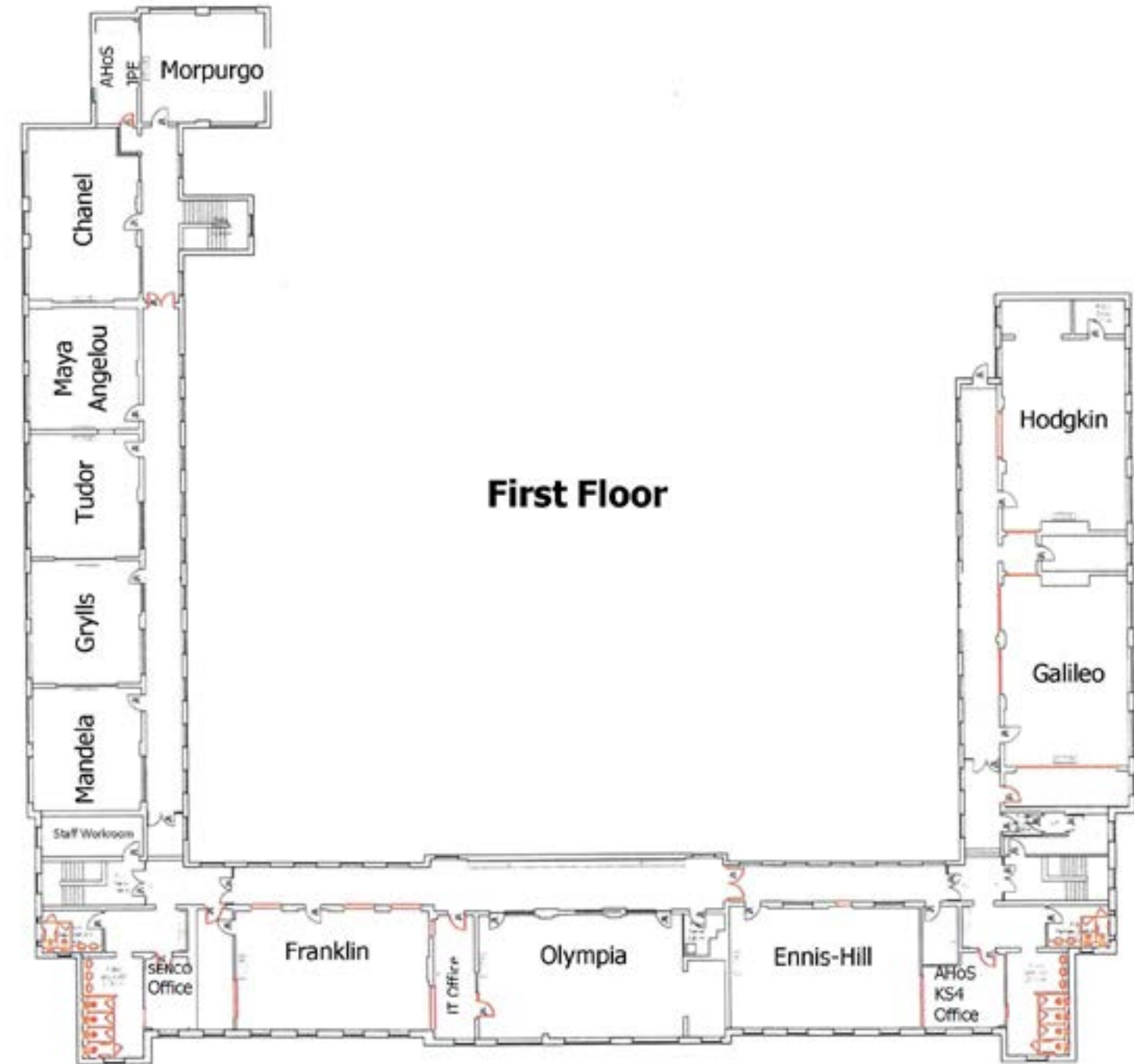
Site Map

Please do not worry about finding your way around the School; we put lots of support and help in place over the first few weeks! But if it helps, you can take a look at this site map:

Ground Floor



First Floor



Frequently Asked Questions

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1. **How will I meet my Team Leader?**
Meet the Team Leader event – 16th June 2021 (virtual)
2. **Will I get to meet anyone in my year before I start?**
There will be transition days – 29-30th June 2021
3. **What is a Team Leader?**
A Team Leader is a member of staff whose job it is to take care of their Team group. You will be in a Team group with around 16 students and you will have a Year 7 Team Leader to make sure you are ready to succeed at school. They are the person your parent contacts if they need any information or help
4. **How long is the School day?**
The school day begins at 8.30am but most people arrive around 8.00am to get some breakfast; the day ends at 3.55pm.
5. **What will my first day be like at SET Beccles School?**
On your first day, you will be met as you arrive and will immediately be in the care of teachers and our older students. They will make sure you get some breakfast and know where you are going. Following on from that, you will go to your Teams classroom to get to know them, find out any information you need and to get your timetable. After a few hours, your lessons will start and your secondary school experience begins.
6. **How will I find my way around School?**
For the first few days of school, you will be shown around the school by some older students who have the job of making sure you know where to go! It's quite easy to learn your way around once you've been here a couple of days.
7. **Will I need my PE kit on the first day?**
Yes. You will receive your timetable on the first day and our PE staff like to start teaching you straight away so please make sure you have your PE kit with you. Once you have your timetable, you will just need to bring it on the days you have PE.
8. **Will I get a locker?**
Yes, you will get a locker come September. This will be big enough to store your coat, bag and PE kit.
9. **What if I forget something?**
Although our expectations are very high, we do know that this is a big step. For the first few weeks, our teachers will understand that it takes time to adjust. If you do forget something important, please talk to staff and we can often help.
10. **Am I allowed my mobile phone?**
We understand that students will have their phones with them but they are to be switched off and remain in your bag throughout the school day. They may only be used before and after school but never on the school site.
11. **Will I get a lot of homework?**
You will get weekly homework in English, Maths, Science and MFL (languages). You will also get an extended project once a half term which will be a project covering multiple topics.
12. **Are there extra-curricular clubs?**
Over the first few weeks of secondary school, you will be told about our extra-curricular opportunities and how to sign up to these. Some examples are: DT workshop, Music lessons, Sports clubs.
13. **When and what can I eat?**
You can get food and drink three times throughout the School day: • Before School: Breakfast (toast, fruit, squash and cereal) • Break: Breakfast (toast, soup, fruit, squash and cereal) • Lunch: A rotating menu of hot food including options for anyone with dietary requirements as well as a fantastic salad bar.



Looking Ahead

- **Virtual “meet the tutor” event on 16th June at 6-7pm. Information for this will be sent out a few days before the event.**
- **Miss Goode will visit your primary school in the near future.**
- **More fun challenges.**
- **Transition days on 29th and 30th June.**
- **End of summer BBQ on Friday 27th August.**

Please remember to return your data forms to the school reception



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