

THE GATEWAY ACADEMY TRANSITION BULLETIN

NEWS:

This week marked the start of GCSEs for our Year 11 students, with our Art and Photography students completing two days of practical exams, the work produced was outstanding. Next week we will see Year 11 moving to the exam hall to show how hard they have been working.

Please feel free to visit the Academy's website regularly for updates <http://www.theglc-gatewayacademy.org.uk/>, in particular our regular publication of The Gateway Times [Gateway Times](#), which gives you the most up-to-date news about The Gateway Academy.



Miss Mead  
Progress Lead – Year 7



Mrs Smith  
Lead Coach – Year 7

Hello Year 6 – my name My name is Miss Mead, and I am delighted to introduce myself as your Progress Leader when you join The Gateway Academy this September. I am really looking forward to meeting you all and welcoming you into our community as you begin this exciting new chapter. Starting secondary school is a big step and we are here to make sure your transition is smooth, positive and enjoyable, with lots of opportunities to learn, grow, make friends and discover your strengths.

As your Progress Leader, my role is to support you throughout Year 7. I will work closely with your teachers to ensure you are happy, making progress and achieving your best, while also celebrating your successes and helping you overcome any challenges. We are committed to making sure you feel safe, confident and supported every day and we will stay in regular contact with your parents and carers.

At The Gateway Academy, we have high expectations and aim to create a positive, respectful and ambitious environment where everyone can succeed. I have heard wonderful things about your year group, and I am very excited to meet you and see all the amazing things you will accomplish.

UPCOMING KEY DATES:

- Transition event – **29 June to 01 July 2026.**
- Parents / Carers will be able to purchase uniform during the following dates and times:
  - Monday 29 June – 2.00 pm – 5.00 pm
  - Tuesday 30 June – 2.00 pm – 5.00pm
  - Wednesday 1 July – 2.00 pm – 5.00pm

- Parents / Carers will be able to collect orders during the following dates and times:
  - Tuesday 25 August - 10.00 am – 3.00 pm
  - Wednesday 26 August - 9.00 am - 3.00 pm
  - Thursday 27 August - 9.00 am - 3.00 pm
  - Friday 28 August - 9.00 am - 3.00 pm

WHAT IS OUR EXTRA CURRICULAR PROVISION?

We offer a range of breaktime and lunchtime clubs every day, from basketball and table tennis to chess club. Chess club, for example, brings together students who enjoy both the game and discussions around strategy and maths. We also host regular charity and Gateway events, providing plenty of opportunities for students to get involved beyond the classroom.

What to do at Lunch time?

“Break and lunch are each 30 minutes long, with plenty of ways to spend your time. Most students choose between the Courtyard Café, the courtyard, or the astro/hardcourt. The Café offers food and seating, while the courtyard is a spacious area to relax and socialise, with benches and shelter from the weather. For those into sport, the astro and hardcourt are ideal for football and basketball.” **Dylan Year 8**

PLEASE DON'T FORGET TO:

Return your data collection forms and attendance of transition form (google form.) if not completed already. Please note that a Google account is **not** required to access and submit the form, although it may be necessary to copy and paste the link into **Google Chrome**. <https://forms.gle/rmQqtSJasGC1Mxq37>

CONTACTS:

[gateway-transition@theglc.org.uk](mailto:gateway-transition@theglc.org.uk) – please click on the link for any questions about Transition.



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We were not  
born to be average.

We were born  
to be exceptional.

We are  
The Gateway Academy.

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