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Dear parent/carer,

I am writing to thank you for your input and feedback in to Y6 to Y7 transition. I do hope you and your child have settled in well to the new routines. This letter serves as a brief update of how the transition activities have been picked up in school.

### **High Rise Mystery – transition reading book**

Thank you for encouraging your child to read this book, feedback has been overwhelmingly positive. Having a whole year group reading one text is extremely powerful. Your child has been busy building on this in English. We worked with a storyteller on Pontesford Hill during their first curriculum day and thoroughly enjoyed telling our own stories inspired by the book – photos on the reverse of this letter!

We read at various times in the week at Mary Webb School and Science College. We hope that every student has 2 reading books in their bags at all times – there are so many to browse and borrow from our school library. Please do have conversations with your child about this.

### **SPAG book**

This book has been used in English lessons, thank you for supporting your child in having it in their bags every day. In school your child has also used the dictionary they find on every desk. They use them for checking spellings but also to find out the word class of particular vocabulary (adjective, noun, verb, adverb). They can continue this at home with their own dictionary.

### **Literacy target**

Your child will be given a literacy target by their English teacher which is recorded in their student planner on p20. This will be supported in lessons across the school to help progress in written work and to maintain standards across the curriculum. Please support your child in understanding their literacy target and in ensuring they are proofreading for this as part of their red pen reflection work in all subjects.

### **Pencil case**

Your child should have their pencil case with a complete set of equipment still. If you can take time to check this periodically and replenish as necessary that would be most helpful. Just a reminder that most items are sold in the school shop located in the office. Half term is a perfect time for a stock take!

### **Calculator**

These are used greatly in maths and science. Most students have found the S-D button particularly useful to convert between decimals and fractions – a handy discovery! Again, this should be in their bags every day.

We look forward to seeing you and your child at the **Parents Information Evening evening on Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> November, 5:30 – 6:15 or 6:30 – 7:15pm here at Mary Webb School**. You will find out all about the curriculum, support available for your child and what to expect in the years to come. A letter will come to you soon about this event.

Please stay in touch if there are things you want to talk through, your child's tutor should be your first point of contact. Thank you again for all your support in helping us and your child settle in to their learning at Mary Webb School and Science College.

With thanks,

Mrs Mould  
Assistant Headteacher, SENCo

First Curriculum Day for Y7 – storytelling on Pontesford Hill, September 2021.  
Lots of creativity and imagination!



Well done Year 7, what a great start to your learning  
at Mary Webb School and Science College!