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# WELCOME NEW YEAR 7!

*Information from our current  
Year 7 here at JFAN*

Starting secondary school can be filled with a mix of emotions. There is a lot of change from primary school which can cause nerves but there are lots of exciting things to look forward to. This leaflet has been produced by some of our current Year 7s at Joyce Frankland Academy and gives you top tips ahead of you joining us in September.



## WORRIED ABOUT SETTLING INTO SECONDARY SCHOOL?

Everyone will be nervous about starting secondary school and its normal! Making friends might seem scary in a new school but just remember you are all in the same boat and all of you will be nervous! Be brave and just talk to someone! You might have lots in common and start to become friends! Trust me, you can sometimes find friends without realising.

Getting lost in school is a main worry, after all secondary school is much bigger! But at the start of the year you get given a map to help you find your way around. There are also adults around to help. Older students also help new Year 7s to find their way around.

Let's be honest, you get much more homework at secondary school, but you will adjust. Some of it is online, like Sparx, but some is not. Homework is nothing to worry about but you have to be organised and stay on top of homework. If you find something difficult you can ask your teacher for help.

Alice, Year 7 Morden



Year 7 science lesson making shampoo!



Year 7 Battle of Hastings Re-enactment

## HOW DO WE LOOK AFTER EACH OTHER AT JFAN?

At JFAN there are a number of ways in which we look after each other. There are always lots of people who want to help you. We have 5 ways of getting help if something is worrying you:

1. Talk to your nearest adult
2. Talk to your teacher
3. Talk to your form tutor
4. Talk to your Head of Year
5. Use our respect email which is where you can send a message to the safeguarding team

There are always teachers wearing hi viz jackets around school who help. Also form tutors see you every morning so you can raise any concerns. Everyone is really kind and understanding. There is always someone to talk to if you need it.

Eve, Year 7 Caius



Year 7 Spring Project Celebration

## WHAT ARE LESSONS LIKE?

Lessons at JFAN are fun yet challenging. Teachers make sure you are captivated and enjoy the subjects. The teachers make you feel welcome and comfortable to express your opinions and beliefs. All the subjects from History to PE are informative. They encourage you to go out of your comfort zone and try new things.

There are many different subjects at JFAN including History, Geography, English, Maths, PE, PSHE, Food Tech, Textiles, DT, Languages and RS. Although moving around may be daunting you soon find your way round.

Overall, lessons are fun and rewarding. They help you find new interests and gain knowledge.

Florence, Year 7 Banstead

## Year 7 at Gardening Club



Year 7 Boys Football Fixture

## WHAT CLUBS ARE ON OFFER?

At JFAN we offer a wide range of clubs you can attend during the week. There will always be a club on at lunch. If you join a sports team you will be able to play matches against different schools! Our clubs at JFAN are an absolute treat to go to. Go to them! New ones will pop up during the year. Examples of clubs you may take an interest in, but are not limited to include:

- History club
- Chess club
- Choir club
- Dance club
- Eco Garden

Along with clubs, you can also sign up for instrument and singing lessons. Clubs are a great way to make friends!

Lachlan, Year 7 Saxie

## HOW CAN I EARN REWARDS?

There is a reward system where if you go above and beyond in class you will get reward points. These points help you in the competition between the houses. Each week in assembly a trophy is given to the form with the most points. You get a letter home at 100 points and there are bronze, silver and gold certificates. To earn reward points you must be kind and respectful to staff and you get points for going to clubs too. At the end of each half term there is a celebration assembly where multiple rewards are handed out from each subjects.

Rafe, Year 7 Trappes

## WE CAN'T WAIT FOR YOU TO JOIN US!



Year 7 Girls

Hockey Fixture