



# Samuel Ryder Academy

## Education for a changing world

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Dear New Year 7 student

I'm sure you are feeling a mix of emotions about coming into Year 7. Moving into secondary school is an exciting time and there is nothing to worry about, but it is totally normal to be nervous. Personally, I felt nervous to start school but as time went on, I settled in and made some great friends and I now feel lucky to be at a great school like Samuel Ryder.

We are extremely lucky to have many great resources and teachers to make sure that you reach your full potential at this school. For example, each student will be issued with an iPad which can be used in many different ways such as for homework or class work. When you join, you will be put into one of the 7 forms: Austen, Bronte, Christie, Dahl, Hardy, King or Wordsworth. I am in Christie, but all of the forms are great so don't worry about whatever one you are in.

There is also a range of extracurricular clubs to attend to have fun and learn something new. Some of the options are: Netball, Choir, Rounders, Athletics, Rugby, Drama and Science. Most of the clubs are seasonal, but there is always a range of clubs available at any time. My favourite subjects are English and PE and I am sure you have your favourite subjects too. Don't worry about making mistakes as that is what makes you learn.

You will be given homework at some point. This will be organised on your iPad on an app called EduLink, so you will know when it is due. Feel free to email or talk to teachers if you are struggling with this and they will help you. Don't worry about getting lost in the first few weeks of school as it is totally normal and there are lots of people that are willing to help you out.

If you have any problems or worries, you can talk to your form tutor or head of year and they will be happy to help. I hope that this letter made you a bit more confident about moving up to Year 7 and helped you understand a bit more about what it is going to be like.

Best wishes.

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