

THE SACRED HEART LANGUAGE COLLEGE  
TRANSITION NEWS





# Welcome

Welcome to our second Transition Newsletter.

This issue will include:

- A message from Mrs Flynn & Ms Clep who are the Directors of Study for Year 7.
- Advice on equipment you will need.
- Ideas for planning travel to school.



# A message from Mrs Flynn & Ms Clep

- At The Sacred Heart Language College, we appreciate the challenges you might be facing on a daily basis and the questions you may have about your child starting secondary school, given the uncertainty around Covid-19.
- We want to reassure you that we are doing everything possible to make sure your child's transition to The Sacred Heart Language College is as smooth as possible. Currently we are making contact with primary schools to find out as much as possible about interests, talents and needs so we can support them in September.



# What equipment will I need?

It is important for you to be well prepared in order to work productively. The following items are essential for this and teachers will expect you to use these at various points.

Below are the items you will be required to bring with you each day, you can bring more if you wish, such as, felt pens, post it tabs, a notebook for rough work.

- Two black or blue pens
- Two green pens
- A 30cm ruler
- A rubber
- A sharpened pencil
- Pencil sharpener
- Protractor
- Compass
- Scientific calculator
- Colouring pencils
- Glue stick
- At least one highlighter
- A reading book
- Catholic Good News Bible (this can be purchased from the Sacred Heart)





# How will I travel to school?

- You may live near to your primary school, which means that you walk or cycle, with your parents or maybe a friend. Many of you coming to The Sacred Heart may be travelling via bus or train. This is very different, and you may be feeling worried about where to catch the bus, what time do you have to be there, will I know anyone on the bus/ train? All these questions are natural, but they are easily solved, if you take the time to prepare.
- One easy way to find out is to use route planner – you can type in the start point as your house and the end point as the school's post code. Look carefully at the route offered and discuss as a family whether it is the most appropriate.
- **Always have a plan B (maybe even C!)** There can be occasions when buses and trains are cancelled or delayed, and you may need to choose to take an alternative route so be ready.



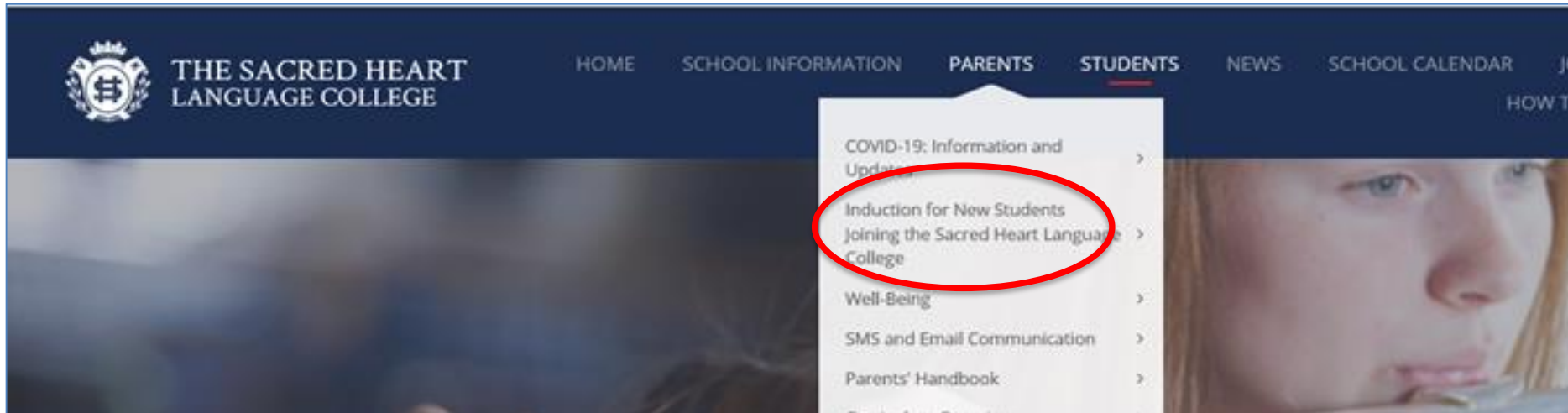
# How will I travel to school?

- Once you have agreed as a family the route that is best, it is really important to try some of the ideas below during the summer holidays to help you prepare:
  - ✓ Find the bus stop / station
  - ✓ Practice the walk with your family
  - ✓ Time how long the walk takes, so you can allow yourself plenty of time
  - ✓ Practice the journey, look out for and note key landmarks and bus stops/stations for potential changes of route.
  - ✓ Make contact with friends that are also coming to The Sacred Heart, and see how they are travelling to school
  - ✓ Are there girls in older years who live in your area? How do they travel to school.
- REMEMBER – Always stay safe, allow plenty of time for your journey so you are not rushing.



# Preparation - what can we do?

Continue to visit our website - [www.tshlc.harrow.sch.uk](http://www.tshlc.harrow.sch.uk). We will be continually updating the [Induction for New Students](#) section with other information.



Like and follow #tshlc on twitter and have a look at some of the activities the students have been involved with over the year.



# Thank You

Thank you for taking the time to read our Transition newsletter. I hope you have found some useful advice within.

In the Next Newsletter:

- Answers to FAQ