



## **To The Forthcoming Students of**

### **Longhill High School**

This letter to you is from a current year 7. It will hopefully help to settle you into secondary school by telling you all about my own personal experience, my own fears and what actually happened!

#### **The Day Before**

Personally, my least favourite day was the day before I started school. My head was filled with fears and pretty impossible thoughts, which now, when I think about it, could never have come true! The most common dread for me though were the older years (especially year 11) beating me up. I don't know what it was but I just couldn't stop thinking about it which was making me frightened of getting on the bus that first morning.

#### **The First Day of School**

My fears must have vanished over night because I was filled with adrenaline on my first day of school. It probably started when I got to the bus stop and all my friends were on the bus too. On the first day we were the only year in school so we got to meet our teachers without all the big kids being around. By the way, in case you are worrying about getting lost, we got toured around the school to all our classes, for a whole week! You even get to leave lessons 5 minutes early to get to the: field, patio or canteen before anyone else and leaving 5 minutes early to get to the buses on time meant we avoided the rush.

So after all that worrying, nothing bad ever happened. The older years ignored us and they will ignore you too unless you need help. The homework isn't that bad for the first few weeks either. Finally, remember all of year seven are going through exactly the same thing and want to make some new friends. Smile, relax and you'll be fine, I was!

From *Joel*, a current year 7 😊

