



LONGHILL
HIGH SCHOOL

Life at Longhill High School

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Everyone has lots of questions when they arrive at secondary school. Here you can find out what to expect when you start...



“Longhill is a safe and fantastic school. I love learning about lots of new things every day.”

Charlie, Y7.

In this booklet you will find questions that have been answered by Year 7 students at Longhill High School.

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Questions about the first day.

Where will I go?

When you arrive to school you will go to the sports centre and you sit in your mentor line.

What will I wear?

You will come into school with your new Longhill High School Uniform on.

Who will I be with?

You will be with other new students who are starting like you. You will be in a mentor and teaching group.

Who will help me?

Every teacher will be able to help you every day you're at school. All you need to do is ask for help!

What will I do on the first day?

You will start your lessons straight away to learn lots of new knowledge.

"The older students helped me to find my lessons." Leila, YR7.



"I love coming to Longhill it's great." Danni, YR7.



What will I be doing each day?

How many lessons do I have?

You will have fifty lessons over two weeks. You will have week one and week two timetable.

How long are the lessons?

Each lesson is one hour long.

How many lessons do I have each day?

You will have five lessons a day.

What will I do in every lesson?

Each subject will be slightly different. However you will be challenged and you must aspire to achieve every task.

Will I have an assembly?

Yes each week you will have an assembly with your Head of Year. During this you will be told new information and important messages.

How many teachers will I have?

You will have on average 10 teachers in the school. You will also have a Mentor and Head of Year.

“It’s always exciting learning about new things.” Peter, YR7.



“What I learn now will help me in the future, it is very interesting!” Jasmine, YR7.



Questions about my class.

Will I be with my friends?

Usually you will be with one or two friends in your class. You can see all your friends at break and lunch time.

What is a mentor class?

This is the class you will register in every morning with your mentor. You will go through important messages to be ready for the day.

Will I be with the same class for every lesson?

For most lessons yes, however in some subjects you will be with different students.

Do you give rewards out for good effort?

Yes we have lots of awards we can give out during lessons. Sometimes if you've worked very hard you might get a certificate from the head teacher!

Do I go straight to lesson 1?

No. Every morning you have to go to your mentor room from 8.20 to 8.40 and then you will get sent to your first lesson.

"The older students helped me to find my lessons." Amy, YR7.



"Making friends is easy at Longhill" Ruben, YR7.



Questions about learning.

Who will I sit next to?

Teachers will organise seating plans and these might change every three to four lessons.

How many students are in my class?

On average 26 - 30 students.

Will I get set homework?

Yes you will be set homework.

Will I be given a pen?

You will need to bring in a pencil case with equipment in.

How will I remember my timetable?

You will be given a school wallet that you can use to find out what lessons you have every day.

“Teachers are kind, they help me to learn” Jayden, YR7.



“I am challenged during my lessons” Hannah, YR7.

“Working hard in school and at home will help me in the future” Katie, YR7.



Questions about lunch time.

Do I need to bring money in?

No, you top up your squid account online and pay using your finger.

How long is break and lunch time?

Break is twenty, and lunch is forty minutes

Where can I eat?

All canteen food must be eaten in the canteen and packed lunches can be eaten in the canteen or patio.

What can I do at lunch time?

You can sit and relax in the canteen or patio, or you play outside on our field. We have sport clubs running every day and you can work on homework in A27.

Are there clubs at lunch time?

Yes there are clubs which take place during lunch time.

“The food is really tasty” Liam,
YR7.



“I enjoy seeing all my friends at
lunch time” Ted, YR7.



General Questions.

Can I bring my phone in?

You should leave your phone at home. However if you bring it in you must only use it in our phone zones at break and lunch time.

How will I know where to go?

You will learn as you go, older students and staff will help you.

Who do I talk to if I have any problems?

You can talk to your Mentor or Year Team.

Where do I go if I've hurt myself or feel unwell?

You can go to the medical room. It's near the stairs by the A block outside exit .

Can you go to the toilet when you are in a lesson?

You can if you ask permission but the teachers would prefer if you go at break or lunch time.

Do I have to pay for clubs?

No, all after school clubs are free for students.

Do I need my PE kit every day?

Not every day, unless you want to play in sports club after school.

“Everyone in my class is really friendly and helpful.” Louisa, YR7.



“The teachers really care about me.” William, YR7.



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What do our students have to say?

“I was really nervous before I came to school. However I managed to make new friends quickly and I am loving it.”

“When I joined I was shy, now I feel more confident and happy in class.”

“Being part of Longhill is great, I love the school and teachers.”



“I love earning positive points and have even had a certificate home.”

“My mentor really helps me in the morning, he checks my lessons and tells me important notices that I would forget!”

“Year 7 has been good, Year 8 should be even better!”

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