

Throughout October, we held our second student focus group of the year. A member of SLT visited several tutor groups in year 7 to gain feedback on their transition to secondary school. Please see below for an overview of the points students raised and our next steps:

Year group: 7

Focus: Settling into secondary school life

You said...	We did...
It wasn't as scary as we thought and everyone has been so nice!	We are glad that you are enjoying your time at secondary school.
We really like the opportunities with what clubs and activities we can do.	We are in the early stages of planning an activities week for you in July where you will have the opportunity to go on more trips.
The canteen can be expensive.	<p>We are aware of concerns regarding the canteen prices. A 'Just' range has been introduced which will include Jacket and filling (new size), half baguette, Pasta selection, Nachos, Toastie & sandwiches.</p> <p>Meal deal option has been added with sandwich/apple/flavoured water.</p> <p>Mrs Watson will organise a student voice focus group in November where we can address our canteen provision.</p>
Some of the locks on the toilet doors are broken.	It is important that we all work together to take pride in the school environment. We will ensure that any broken locks are reported and repaired in a timely manner.
Why do we have to do home learning?	<p>Research shows that students who do their homework achieve, on average, two grades higher in all their GCSEs compared to those who don't do homework regularly.</p> <p>For the first time ever, we have introduced a home learning slot into your tutor programme.</p> <p>We also have after school home learning clubs available to support you.</p>
Can the sport clubs start sooner in the school year?	We will work with the PE department to see if we can get the sport clubs running sooner in the school year.