



# YEAR 7

## TRANSITION PROGRAMME



**ASHFORD SCHOOL**  
*Inspiring Minds for 125 Years*





# ASHFORD SCHOOL

Inspiring Minds

**501**  
students

(Senior School 11-18 years old)

**102** BOARDERS  
**90%** FULL BOARDING

**32**  
NUMBER OF NATIONALITIES (ALL PUPILS)

**19**  
NATIONALITIES IN BOARDING

DAY AND BOARDING PUPILS WELCOME



CO-EDUCATIONAL

**SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE**  
in academic, art, music, drama and sport

**2022 U15**  
NATIONAL INDOOR CRICKET CHAMPIONS

**TOP 100** SCHOOLS IN THE UK FOR CRICKET

**Edtec**  
**50**  
SCHOOL

ALL-STEINWAY SCHOOL

**TES**  
INDEPENDENT SCHOOL AWARDS 2021:

Shortlisted for Student Initiative of the Year

**INDEPENDENT**  
SCHOOL PARENT AWARDS 2021:

Shortlisted for the Community Outreach Award

**2021 UNITED**  
LEARNING BEST IN EVERYONE AWARDS:

Most Inspirational Teacher, Science Award and Support Staff of the Year Award

**A LEVEL GRADES**  
(3 year average)

**47%**  
A\* - A

**72%**  
A\* - B

**90%**  
A\* - C

**GCSE RESULTS**  
(3 year average)

**56%**  
Grades 9-7

**98%**  
Grades 9-4

**2/3**

**Over 50%** of students go to **RUSSELL GROUP** UNIVERSITIES

**of students achieve** **FIRST CHOICE** UNIVERSITY

**2** SWIMMING POOLS

**2** FLOODLIT ASTROTURF

INDOOR SPORT CENTRE

**CHAPLAIN**

HEALTH AND WELLBEING CENTRE

**55**  
ACRES  
across two sites

**6** RUGBY PITCHES

**NO EXEAT WEEKENDS**

• GCSE  
• IGCSE  
• BTEC SPORT  
• A LEVEL  
• EPQ

**MAXIMUM**  
**24** students IN A CLASS

**8** students IN A CLASS at A Level (AVERAGE)

**OVER 80** CO-CURRICULAR CLUBS

**THE DUKE OF EDINBURGH'S AWARD**

**Combined Cadet Force**

**TOWN CENTRE**  
LOCATION

LONDON GATWICK: **50** minutes VIA TRAIN

LONDON HEATHROW: **80** minutes VIA TRAIN

LONDON ST. PANCAS: **36** minutes VIA TRAIN

# WELCOME TO YEAR 7 AT ASHFORD SCHOOL



We are delighted that you will be joining us at Ashford School in September. You are, no doubt, excited about the transition but I imagine you may have some questions about what life will be like in Year 7 too. We have already visited some of you at your current schools and will endeavour to visit the rest of you soon, to introduce ourselves, to get to know a little bit more about you and to answer any questions you have about the transition process.

Please find below a link to an information booklet that the current Year 7s helped to put together- it answers the most common questions and concerns that new Year 7 students have. We hope you find it useful.

[Year 7 Information Booklet](#)

**Ms Jennie Denton**  
**Assistant Head Lower School**



**Miss Heather Loughlin**  
**Head of Year 7**





# Year 7 Transition Events

Date	Event	Overview
4 February	Adventurous Activity Day	Fun day of team building to get to know your classmates
End April	Transition Page launched	Our Year 7 transition page will be made available to all families whose children are transitioning into Year 7. This contains videos, a student handbook and top tips for both parents and students to enable a successful transition to Senior School
End April	Welcome messages and getting to know you	Getting to know you form sent out to all students who will be joining Year 7
May and June	Ms Denton and Miss Loughlin visit children at their prep and primary schools	An informal opportunity for Ms Denton and Miss Loughlin to meet the children and answer their questions
26 June	Year 7 Orientation Day	An opportunity for pupils to meet their form tutor, their fellow classmates and to familiarise themselves with the school site
26 June	Parent Information Evening	An opportunity to meet your child's form tutor and other key staff. Senior staff will also give an overview of the curriculum and the pastoral system in school
4 September	New Pupil Induction Day	A morning of team building activities and information
5 September	Term starts	The first full school day for all pupils
15 - 17 September	PGL Teambuilding Weekend	A fun-filled activity packed residential in Suffolk specifically designed for year group bonding
21 September 18.00 - 19.30	Year 7 Parent Information Evening and Social	An opportunity to learn key information on issues such as school communication systems, homework, sports kit/equipment and other day to day issues. It is also an opportunity to meet with some of the teachers and to mingle with other parents of Year 7 children.

# PGL TRIP: 15 - 17 SEPTEMBER

A key part of our induction process for Year 7 is our fun-filled weekend away in Suffolk at a PGL camp. The trip features an action-packed itinerary of adventurous activities and games, but it is not only about having fun. While they are enjoying themselves, students will be learning new skills, rising to new challenges, developing their confidence and, above all, getting to know one another and building relationships that will see them through their school years and beyond.



The best part about PGL was that it gave me an opportunity to push my limits and try new things.

PGL was great because it brought everyone together and I made so many new friends.

I didn't know anyone but on PGL I made loads of friends and the activities were so much fun.





# Meet Your Form Tutors

**Miss Beaty - 7CB**



**Mrs Dore - 7JD**



**Mr Hornsey - 7MS**



## Hear more from some of our past Year 7 Students





# ASHFORD SENIOR SCHOOL MAP OF CAMPUS

Station Road



- Somerville - Reception and The Somerville Library
- Old Alfred - Headmaster, Bursar and Support Staff
- Chaucer - Psychology, EAL and MFL
- Jubilee - Biology, Chemistry and Physics
- Coronation - English upstairs and Maths downstairs
- Brake - Economics, Geography, History, Religious Studies, Drama and Music
- Octagon - Drama and Music
- Cranmer- Learning Support, Business Studies , D&T Workshop
- Brooke House - Health and Wellbeing Centre
- Cedar Workshop - D & T

- Nightingale - Sports Hall and Fitness Suite
- Sports Hall - PE Office
- Judith Webb - JW Classrooms



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**NURSERY (0-4) | PREP (4-11) | SENIOR (11-18)**

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