



At home

- Talk positively to your child about the move to Wales High School.
- Ask them what's exciting about Wales.
- Make sure your child is used to using a quiet work area for doing homework in.
- Decide how your child will get to and from school and what to do if that plan fails.
- Practice making the journey to school with your child using the transport they will use. (Let your child have the money for this trip and buy the tickets) Or if walking plan and walk down the best route to look for safe crossings.
- Explore the school website together.

Encourage independence

- Can your child walk to school with a group of friends?
- Encourage your child to carry and be in control of a small amount of money. This will help when they have their dinner card.
- Discuss current affairs at the dinner table and encourage your child to ask questions and express their views.
- Actively encourage your child to participate in any transition to high school offered to them.

Provide school with any medication your child needs and make sure it has a long expiry date.



For parents

- Attend all the open evenings and meetings you can
- Read all the information sent home from Wales and return it in a timely manner
- Make a list of questions to help you remember your concerns before you get to school
- Let your child wear the school uniform to get used to the material.
- Buy school uniforms, books, stationery, school bag, drink bottle, house key and unique key ring.
- Label everything
- Practice travelling to and from school
- Break in school shoes to make them more comfortable

Top Tips

The first day

- Help your child set their alarm clock.
- Provide your child with money in case of emergencies
- Make sure your child has your contact numbers.

The first week

- Photocopy school timetables for at home
- Help your child check their planner daily
- Encourage your child to pack their bag the night before—making sure to remember PE kit.

**In case of emergency know the
Traveline phone number**



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