GETTING READY FOR

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.

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.

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.

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

In case of emergency know the Traveline phone number

01709 515151