

'I WOULD LIKE TO KNOW'

Your questions about Hans Price Academy...answered!

What should we do on our first day?

You will find out more about our first day when you come up to us for the "Big Step" transition days. But, to give you an idea, you will come in and be met by some older students and your tutors who will look after you and show you around before you meet the rest of your learning family and begin your lessons.

• What do we do if we get lost?

There are always staff and other students around. Just tell any one of us you are not sure where you need to go, and we will take you there. You will also be given a tour of the school and a map.

What should I do if I am feeling nervous or scared on my first day?

It is quite normal to feel a little nervous about your first day in your new school, but remember, everyone is feeling the same, it is not just you! You should also feel excited as you will be meeting new friends and trying new things. If you still feel anxious during the day, tell your tutor and they will support you.

When will we get our timetable?

You will receive your timetable on your first day and it will be explained to you by your tutor.

• Will we be given a map of the school on the first day?

Yes, you will all be given maps. However, if you remember 'G' rooms are on the **Ground** Floor and 'F' rooms are on the **First** Floor you will not go far wrong!

• Is Hans Price strict?

We do have high expectations that our students are 'Ready to Learn' so lessons are calm and focused, but we also have lots of rewards for students with good attendance and good behaviour.

What time do I need to be at school?

You must be in before 8.35am otherwise you will not be able to be lined up by your classroom 'Ready to Learn' at 8.39am. You can come into the building from 8:20am to get yourself ready for the day.

• What will happen if I am late?

You need to be in school before 8.35am otherwise you will be marked as late, even if it is 8:36am. If you are late, you will be given a detention, so make sure you have your alarm set!



Do we have time limits to get to classes?

When your class finishes you just need to make your way to your next class and usually this takes a few minutes at the most, depending on what lesson you had previously and where you are going. Do not worry, we will all be out and about to make sure you can find your way to lessons for the first couple of weeks by which time you will know your way around.

• Can people dye their hair?

You can dye your hair, but only with natural colours.

What do I do if I forget my locker number?

You would speak to a member of the site team and they would be able to help you.

Will I get bullied?

We do not tolerate bullying at Hans Price. If anyone says or does anything unkind or that makes you feel uncomfortable, always tell someone so we can get it sorted.

What are the teachers like?

All our teachers have high expectations of students in their lessons, but they are kind and friendly and support all our students to achieve their best.

• Do we get to do fun things?

We do lots of fun things. Good behaviour and good attendance are rewarded in a number of different ways, a popular one being doughnuts....so if everyone in your college is in, you might find there are doughnuts for you at the end of the day! Also, we have 'Funday Friday' each week, when you will do challenges in your Learning Families - this could be anything from Limbo Dancing or Times Tables to making parachutes for eggs or quizzes!

What events do you have?

We have lots of events through the year including a Science Fair, Dance Show, Music Show, Summer Show, World Book Day, the College Expressive Cup, Community Cup and Sports Cup and a Swimming Gala to name a few.

Will we go on school trips?

Yes, there are a number of different trips. Some are rewards, but we also have lots of trips that link to your learning, PE (Physical Education) trips take place and we have run skiing trips to Austria and Italy.

Will we get homework?

At Hans Price Academy we call homework Independent Study. It is all set online on the SIMS App, which will be explained to you and your parents when you start here. You will get a booklet and you will have one piece of IS to hand in each day. You can do one piece a night or you can plan ahead and complete more than one at once if you prefer.

Is there a homework club?

Yes, you can do your Independent Study at school between 3pm-3:45pm with staff available to help you.

Are we going to be learning any different subjects?

In Year 7 you will have lessons in:

Science English
Maths PE
Drama History

Geography Religious Education

Computing Technology

Music Spanish or French

Art SPACE

What should I do if I get stuck?

If you do not understand what you need to do, just let the teacher know and they will always help you.

What after school clubs/activities can we do?

There are quite a few school clubs and they are constantly changing and growing! We share extracurricular timetables at the start of each term, so you know what is available. Some clubs are at lunchtime, and some are after school - they may include: Science Club, Chess Club, Table Tennis Club, Art Club, Drama Club, Cheerleading Club, Film Club and lots of different Sports Clubs.

What can we have for lunch?

There is an immense variety of things to choose from. There is a menu on your transition area of the website which will show some of the things on offer each day. To give you an idea of the selection, you can buy anything from sandwiches and baguettes (or try our own subway where you can choose your own fillings for a roll), to hot roast dinners, hot pasta pots, chicken wraps and on Fridays, fish and chips! We also sell fruit pots, yoghurts, bags of raisins, lots of different drinks! You can also buy food at breaktime.







What do you do at lunch?

There are clubs which you can go to, or you might just want to hang around with your friends. Unlike Primary School, you do not have to go outside every breaktime and every lunchtime - it is up to you. All we ask is that you eat your food in the canteen or outside and that you are sensible and do not run around the Academy during break/lunch.

How many times do we have P.E?

You will have one lesson each week plus afterschool sessions are available. There will be other lunchtime PE clubs too.

What kind of sports will we do?

Students take part in rugby, netball, hockey, football, athletics, cricket, rounders and all sorts of different sports from around the world. We have a fitness suite with running machines, exercise bikes etc which you will use. If it is very wet outside, you might find you are in the Sports Hall enjoying a game of dodgeball!

• What do you have to wear for P.E (Physical Education)?

The information for the uniform is being posted out to you, but you will need to have the Hans Price PE kit, which consists of shorts/skorts, polo shirts, fleeces, rugby shorts and blue socks. **Everyone** will need trainers, boots with studs, shin-pads and mouth guards.

If you have any other questions just email us at info@hpa.clf.uk

We look forward to meeting you all soon!