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Dear Parent/Carer

P7 Transition Google Classroom

I hope you and your families are well and staying safe during these challenging and changing times. I realise that this may be a particularly unsettling time for families, especially as your child is transitioning from primary school to secondary school at the end of this school year.

At Lasswade, we care about all of our students and families across the entire school community. We continue to work very closely with our Associated Primary Schools, especially Head Teachers and Primary 7 Teachers. With this in mind, we would like to begin the P7 to S1 transition process earlier by creating an online Google Classroom for all P7 students who are coming to Lasswade in August 2021.

At Lasswade, Google Classroom is used consistently across all faculty areas. It is also used widely in Midlothian schools and beyond. Google Classroom is an effective, clear and secure platform for staff to communicate with learners and it is also a great way for young people to 'meet each other' and share experiences.

We would like to invite all P7 students, who are coming to Lasswade High School in August 2021, to join our 'P7 Transition 2021' Google Classroom now. Primary School staff will also join the Google Classroom to support and encourage students.

To join the Google Classroom, please enter the secure class code: vucuxjs



GLOW & Google Classroom

If you require any help accessing GLOW and/or Google Classroom, please head over to our school website to watch our 'How To' video guide from 2020: https://lasswadehsc.mgfl.net/wholeschool/p7-transition-pack/

The screen shot on the left, shows you what the start of the video looks like.

Monthly Challenges

To better support P7 to S1 transition for students, we have created two monthly challenges for the months of February, March, April, May and June. The challenges will be fun, accessible and informative.

Each month, one of our five Principal Teachers for S1 and S2 (English, Maths, Science, Social Studies and Creative Design) and S6 Buddies from one of our House groups (Melville, Mount Esk, St Anne's and St Leonard's), will share their specific fun challenges on the 'P7 Transition 2021' Google Classroom. There is no pressure for P7 students to complete all/any of the challenges but we hope that the 'P7 Transition 2021' Google Classroom will at least provide students with an early insight into life at Lasswade High School.

We really hope the P7 students enjoy these fun challenges and we would encourage students to share their experiences with their families. Students may also wish to post feedback and photos on the 'P7 Transition 2021' Google Classroom to share with staff and students but this is not mandatory.

Communication

Communication is more important than ever, so please follow us on Twitter and Instagram as well as our Parent Council Facebook page and school website for news and updates. We also have a dedicated email address for P7 to S1 transition.



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As you know, our P7 Information Event took place in November 2020. The event shares useful information about Lasswade High School with families. Please access the event on our school website: https://lasswadehsc.mgfl.net/p7-s1-transition-2020-news/p7-information-event-2/

Please also refer to our School Handbook for further information and advice. http://lasswadehsc.mgfl.net/school-handbook/

Updates and Questions

Whether P7 to S1 transition will be in person or virtually in June is yet to be decided. We will update you on any transition developments by using the Lasswade High School and local Primary School communication platforms.

We welcome any questions you may have about transition. Please direct your P7 to S1 transition questions to the following email address: transition.lasswade@mgfl.net

Best wishes

Mrs C Brown

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