

### Year 6 Transition Learning Projects

**Week 1- This week's learning project focuses on your child's feelings about their transition to secondary school. It will give them the opportunity to reflect on their time at primary school whilst also considering their hopes and anxieties for the future.**

#### Suggested transition activities for 01.06.20

**Monday** - Starting secondary school is a time for your child to say farewell to current teachers and classmates and hello to many new faces. It is important for your child to cherish their favourite memories. Ask your child to create a drawing of their special memory and frame it in a photo frame. They may choose to draw a favourite lesson, a funny moment with friends, a school trip, their favourite teacher or a job role they were proud of. They may choose to decorate the photo frame provided or to craft their own using card. <https://safeyoutube.net/w/DegE>

**Tuesday** - During their time at secondary school, your child will encounter a variety of different experiences. Ask your child to interview someone about how they coped with some of the changes they faced at secondary school. This could be a family member in their household or a neighbour/relative that has been to secondary school (please ensure that you either use technology or follow social distancing guidelines). Ask your child to consider what questions they could ask e.g. how did you make new friends? What did you do if you got lost? What did you do if you forgot your PE kit/forgot to do your homework?

**Wednesday** - As your child moves to secondary school, it is important that they consider their hopes and concerns. Using an outline of a face, draw the aspects of secondary life that they are looking forward to e.g. clubs, lessons; what they are nervous about e.g. homework, friends and areas that they have thoughts and questions about e.g. Who will be my teacher? Where will I eat lunch?

**Thursday** - Secondary schools may ask for a piece of writing to be sent to them on your child's transition day and this is a perfect opportunity for your child to tell their new school some information about them. Ask your child to write a letter to their secondary school telling them what they are looking forward to, what they are nervous about, what they enjoy doing and something they dislike. <https://safeyoutube.net/w/DYxE>

**Friday** - Your child may wish to reminisce about their memories of primary school in the future. Capture these memories in a fun way by asking your child to create a 'Memory Jar'. Using coloured paper ask your child to write down their favourite memories. They can use different colours to show different categories of memory e.g blue for friendship, yellow for teachers, red for favourite lessons, green for school trips. Use a jam jar or a plastic bottle to collect their memories; they could even personalise their jar with decoration.

#### Additional Learning Resources Parents May Wish To Engage With:

- This website has some videos of worries your child may have and explains how other children have overcome them <https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/tags/zh4wy9q/starting-secondary-school/1>

- If your child is worried about the move to secondary school, the Young Minds website supports with worry and anxiety.  
<https://youngminds.org.uk/>
- This video offers advice on how to best prepare your child practically and emotionally for the start of secondary school.  
<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/articles/z4k8bdm>
- This video shows ways that your child can stay in touch with their friends from primary school.  
<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/articles/z7yrhbk>