



# Transition Booklet



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Welcome to Newlands!

We are delighted that you will be joining our community soon as you start your next big adventure! We are looking forward to meeting you and introducing you to the school on Induction Day.

In the meantime, we would like to share with you some key information about Newlands to answer your questions and hopefully alleviate any worries you might have.

We are also keen to learn more about you! It would be lovely to know a little about your educational journey so far, as well as your interests and hobbies. Please complete the questionnaire on the final page of the booklet and bring it with you on Induction Day, when you will have the opportunity to discuss your responses with your new classmates.

We look forward to seeing you soon,  
Miss Jolly (Head of Year 7) and the Year 7 team

## About Newlands Girls' School

There are 6 forms in Year 7, each one named after a famous and influential woman.

7A – **Austen**

7B – **Bronte**

7C – **Curie**

7D – **Darling**

7E – **Earhart**

7F – **Frank**

You will start each day with your Tutor and your form group in your form room. All six Year 7 bases are located close together.

You may go to your form room at break and lunch times to read, complete work or socialise with your friends. You will need to eat and drink elsewhere.

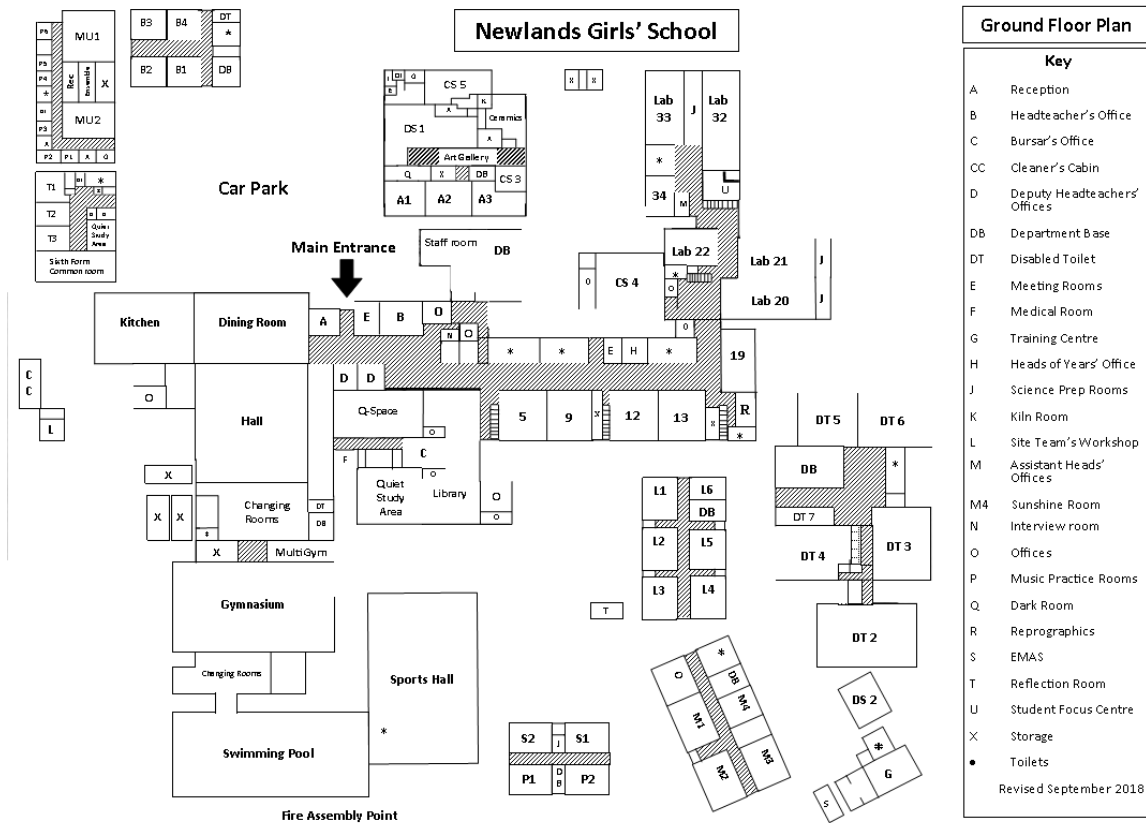
You will also have a teaching group for Art, Science and Design and Technology, which will be smaller.



At Newlands, we follow a 2 week timetable. You will have a copy in your planner and a spare copy in your locker. You will need to purchase a lock for this, like the one below. You will also have a homework timetable so you know which days to expect tasks from different subjects.



Newlands might be a bit larger than your current school, but do not worry! You will have a map of the school in your planner and, for the first two weeks, staff will help you to get to lessons. Don't forget - older pupils are always delighted to assist you too!



Our popular canteen sells hot and cold food, which you can purchase with a Squid account. This uses your finger so you do not need to remember to bring money to school. We will help you set this up as part of your induction. Hot meals needs to be eaten in the canteen, but packed lunches and snacks can be eaten in the hall or outside. We have plenty of covered picnic benches to use.

School will provide you with textbooks and exercise books, but you will need to bring a water bottle and a pencil case. This should include the usual ruler, rubber, pencils and pens, including a green one for correcting work. You will also need a Maths set and a scientific calculator, but both of these items can be bought directly from the Maths department once you have started school.

We are a quiet school and do not have bells at Newlands so you will need to keep an eye on the time! Wearing a watch can help with this.

8:45 a.m. - 9:05 a.m.	Registration and assembly or form period
9:05 a.m. - 10:05 a.m.	Lesson 1
10:05 a.m. - 11:05 a.m.	Lesson 2
11:05 a.m. - 11:25 a.m.	Break
11:25 a.m. - 12:25 p.m.	Lesson 3
12:25 p.m. - 1:05 p.m.	Lunch
1:05 p.m. - 2:05 p.m.	Lesson 4
2:05 p.m. - 3:05 p.m.	Lesson 5

Our 'top tip' for settling in is to get involved! There are a huge number of clubs and activities at Newlands, designed to appeal to a wide range of interests. You will be given more information about these opportunities once you start, but here is a list of some things to expect:

- Junior Dance
- Netball
- Junior Gymnastics
- Junior Wind Band
- Art
- Creative Writing
- Science Club
- Hockey
- Orchestra
- Film Club
- Steel Pans
- Swimming
- Drama
- Junior Choir
- Football
- Design & Technology Club
- String Group
- Badminton

Joining a club is a great way to make new friends in a relaxed environment and you will already have a shared interest with the other students going.

**On your journey to starting Year 7 at Newlands, mark out some key life events that you would like to share with us.  
What things stood out to you?**

**Year 1 in Primary school**



Name:

## About You

1. Tell us a bit about yourself. What are your interests and hobbies? Do you play a musical instrument or speak another language?

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2. What did you enjoy at your primary school?

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3. List three things you are most looking forward to:

- a) \_\_\_\_\_
- b) \_\_\_\_\_
- c) \_\_\_\_\_

4. List three things you are a little nervous about (however silly you think these may be):

- a) \_\_\_\_\_
- b) \_\_\_\_\_
- c) \_\_\_\_\_

5. What else would you like to find out about your new school?

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