

No Worries

We know that starting secondary school can be a scary time, but we want to reassure you that you don't need to be worried. See what our Phase Leader Miss Underhill has to say to each of the most common worries, and then hear for yourself what last year's Y7s have to say about it. Everyone will be nervous, but you don't need to be!

Isn't Trinity Academy Halifax really strict?

This is often the thing that Y6s are the most scared about. See below for what some of last year's Y7s had to say about it at the end of their first 4 weeks at Trinity. We do have strict rules at Trinity, but they're important, because good behaviour means that everyone can enjoy school, enjoy their lessons and enjoy learning. Our rules are really clear, which makes them really easy to stick to.

"Trinity has strict teachers but actually that isn't how it is they are actually really nice" "some people would say 'best school' ever and I'd agree"

"People say the teachers are strict, but they're not. They're the best teachers in the world! You get a college manager, they're funny, the funniest is Mr Mills! You will feel scared but it isn't bad – you get to do drama which is fun. The dinners are nice!"
Maison

"Please don't be nervous – the teachers aren't as strict as you think"
Reece

"Let me give you one tip: If you get a C1, it's OK, just stop what you're doing, for example, talking. You want to take part in the lesson so that your name is on the bigger, yellow part of the achievement board"
Savannah

"You can't believe everything you're told – I was told that we all have to stand at the same time, turn at the same time and walk about at the same time in silence! That just isn't true! Our corridors are calm and quiet but not silent! As long as you try you're best, Trinity will love it"
Nellie

"At the second week at Trinity I realised the teachers weren't as strict as I've been told"
Mohammed

"The school nurse is lovely and so are the college managers – don't worry it will be fine!"
Lola

"You might have been told the teachers are strict but they're only a bit stricter than primary"
Sol

The Academy is so big - I'm going to be lost all the time!

Yes, our Academy is big, but it is really easy to find your way around. All of the corridors are colour coded, and the room numbers tell you what floor you need to be on. Also, all of the older students and teachers will help you out and point you in the right direction at first! See below for what last year's Y7s had to say. You could be practicing testing yourself now on what colour each corridor is.

Oliver - Maths	Priestley - Science
Redgrave - English	Hockney - Design and Performance
Stewart - Humanities (Religion, History and Geography)	Whiteley - Modern Foreign Languages and other small classrooms
Classroom numbers beginning with 0 are on the Ground floor, beginning with 1 are on the 1st floor, 2 on the 2nd floor...	

"When I started Trinity I was worried that I'd get lost all the time but since I had been to all my lessons. It was easy to navigate my way around the school"

Sienna

"You don't have to worry about finding your way around, the building has got a lot of sign posts and you can always ask someone if you are lost"

Dylan

"On the first day, don't be scared about getting lost because they take you into the sports hall and will take you around the school for the whole day"

Skye

"It's not actually what you might think as there are signs all over the school and you don't need to be worried to ask someone"

Freya

"I was really worried about finding my way around the school but it's the easiest system you could possibly have and there are lots of people to show you where things are"

Maisie

"It isn't actually as bad as you're thinking, for starters, I'm currently in my third week and I already know my way around the building"

Lily

What if I don't make any friends? I don't know anyone going? I'm worried that I'm going to be lonely.

We can promise you that you won't be the only one worried about this. We make sure that we plan your first few days, weeks and months at Trinity to make sure there are lots of opportunities to mix with other people and to make friends. Clubs, trips and activities are all great chances to get chatting with people. You do sometimes need to be a bit brave and talk to someone you've not met before, but before you know it, you'll be friends. I guarantee everyone is feeling as nervous as you about it. See what last year's Y7s had to say about making friends, and taking good opportunities at Trinity below.

"These three weeks have been outstanding so don't be worried. My top tip is always be prepared and come with the right equipment"
Cameron

"It is a good school and there's a rugby academy and football trials so try out for them to make friends"
Curtis

"There are over 1.5 thousand students, so go ahead, make friends"
James

"Within the week I was loving it, especially the early end! I didn't want it to be the weekend! I had friendly teachers and kind friends, it feels like I've been here forever. There is no need to be scared"
Ruby

"I felt nervous because I was starting a new chapter in my life. So far I've been to Ogden Water and had a Sports Day"
Cavan

"I know it will be a tough change for you but you see your friends around the school during break and lunch."
Dylan

"Science is fun, we use a Bunsen burner and do experiments and get to wear safety goggles and there are rules to keep you safe. I went on a walk to Ogden Water last week and I loved it! High school isn't bad - it's a fun learning experience with adventures along the way".
Ella