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*A message for our new pupils from the head teacher...*

*We have nearly 140 new pupils joining us in September, about 120 in Y7 and the rest spread across Y8-10. We also have quite a few new teachers! You could not have chosen a better time to join! Our leavers did really well in their GCSE exams and we've been upgrading resources and facilities, and doing lots of work to make sure the school is looking at its best.*

**I'm just feeling really nervous...!**

Of course you are- and so is everyone else! It is a normal reaction however old you are, and it will be the same when you go to college or university or start a new job! Before you know it the nerves will disappear!

**I have no idea where to go on Tuesday!**

OK, as long as you know where the school is...! Once you get here there will be staff and prefects (senior Y11 students with the black and gold tie) to help you and show you where to go. If in doubt, go to reception. **School starts at 8.50 am so be sure to be here before then.**

**I just know I am going to get lost!**

Very unlikely, we are not so big and you will be shown where to go. Keep your wits about you and you can't go wrong! If you do, ask for help.

**I don't know anyone at RCCS.**

But in a few days you will! What an opportunity to make new friends!

**What do I do for food?**

If you're not yet on the system we'll get you registered on Tuesday if you have school dinners. Or you can bring in your own food.

**I'm worried I might find the work too difficult...**

Let the teachers worry about that. We need to make sure the work challenges you but also that you can achieve. You will never be in trouble for not being able to do something you have tried to do. (It will also be a problem if you find the work too easy!)

**I'm not sure I have all the right uniform/kit.**

Check on the school website but any minor issues can be sorted out in the first week or so. Remember to bring a school bag with basic equipment like pens and pencils.

**I am worried I won't be with my friends from my old school.**

For registration you will probably be with some old friends. Where you are in most lessons depends on other things, not who your friends are! Your timetable may change in the first few weeks anyway as we get to know you.

**Check out the school website to find out more- you can even find links to videos on YouTube that our students have made to show you round the school. I'm really looking forward to seeing you on Tuesday!**



**Mr Kendall**  
**Head Teacher**