

Hi, I am a student at Collingwood College

I am sure you have many nerves and worries about moving up to secondary school but I'm sure that after a few weeks you will be able to see how much fun Collingwood really is.

The staff at Collingwood are supportive and understanding, especially on your first week of joining. During your first week at Collingwood you will probably find that you get lost trying to navigate through the school. I found that it was easiest to stick with a few people from your form or ask a teacher for help. However, I found that I learnt my way around the College very quickly and we also received a map of the school. You may find that Collingwood is a lot larger than your previous school, but you soon get used to the size.

As Collingwood has so many students, it's really easy to find some friends or some people with similar interests to you. Even if your friends are in another form, you will still be able to find them on the playground at lunch and breaktime or going round the school to their lessons.

Home Learning is a key part of a good education, so at Collingwood the teachers always suggest getting into a routine to make sure all your Home Learning is completed on time. It's easier to do your Home Learning as soon as you get it or a few days after it has been handed out to eliminate the risk of negative behaviour points and detentions for not completing it. Good home learning can be rewarded with Positive Praise Points too!

Positive behaviour points can be exchanged for Amazon vouchers, food and drinks in the canteen or Love2shop vouchers or you can save up for when you are in Year 11 to pay towards your prom ticket.

Year 8 and the rest of the school are looking forward to meeting you in September. Don't worry too much and we hope you are excited to join Collingwood.

Kind regards

Thomas