Dear Parent/Guardian,

I am absolutely delighted to write to you to welcome your child to our school community. Darwen Vale High School has a rich history spanning nearly 125 years and we are excited to see your child grow and achieve with us.

Below you will find a plan of the next steps to support you all in having a seamless transition from primary to secondary school.

Induction Timeline

* March – Initial Admissions Forms (link below). Please complete this by clicking on the link below:-
* April – We’ll write to you again in April letting you know a detailed plan for our Induction Days & Induction Evening. For your diary, our Induction Days will be **Thursday 3rd July and Friday 4th July.** We’ll let you know timings and more specific details then. We’ll also write to your child’s primary school to let them know about these dates.
* May – Our ‘Year 6 Transition Page’ for 2025/2026 will go ‘live’ on our website. This page will include all the information you need such as information about; uniform, term dates, school timings, equipment etc.
* June/July – We’ll be going to into various primary schools to meet with your child’s teachers and find out a little bit more about them.
* 3rd/4th July – Induction Day. Students will spend two full days with us, getting to know their tutor, familiarising themselves with our school building and having a taste of secondary level lessons.
* 3rd July – Induction Evening. This is an opportunity for you to meet senior school staff, your child’s tutor and hear more about ‘life at Vale’.

I look forward to meeting you in due course. In the meantime, you can keep up to date with life at Vale by following us on our Facebook page or on X.

Thank you

Freddie Redfern – Assistant Principal