



# Penistone Grammar School

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Dear parent/carer

## WELCOME TO PENISTONE GRAMMAR SCHOOL – CLASS OF 2031!

Following Barnsley Local Authority issuing confirmation of secondary school places for September 2026, I wanted to personally write to you and your child to officially welcome you to our learning community.

I am very proud to be the Principal of Penistone Grammar School (PGS); I have the privilege of working with amazing students and a dedicated, talented team of staff, all of whom work together to make PGS the fantastic school it is. We have extremely high standards and hold our Core Values (Aim High; Be Determined; Be Kind; Be Supportive; Be Proud) at the heart of all we do.

We are committed to ensuring every young person achieves their full potential during their time with us, not only in their academic endeavors but also as happy and successful members of society. We understand how exciting joining secondary school can be, but also how daunting such a big change can be. We are here for you every step of the way and we want your child to start their journey with us positively and with all the tools they need to succeed. We believe the best way to achieve this is through an inspiring and comprehensive Transition Programme, which will help them and you to understand all the key steps that are needed to access PGS successfully and confidently.

In the coming weeks we will be sending out a Welcome Pack with all the necessary information that you will need including the full Transition Programme, in the meantime, here are some important dates for your calendars:

### **Virtual Welcome Meeting - Monday 20<sup>th</sup> April at 6.00pm**

A Teams link will be emailed out for the Virtual Welcome Meeting after the Easter Holidays. The link will also be available on our website.

### **Transition Bootcamp Dates:**

Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> June 2026

Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> July 2026

Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> July 2026

More information regarding the Transition Bootcamp will be shared at the Welcome Meeting, and then again closer to the date.

As we are committed to sustainability, the majority of all future correspondence will be sent via the email address you provided upon application. If you have any issues with electronic accessibility, please contact us.

I look forward to meeting you,

Yours sincerely

Mr Paul Crook  
**Principal**  
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