# YOUR JOURNEY TO MAIDSTONE GRAMMAR SCHOOL FOR GIRLS



Transition Events from Year 5 through Year 6 & your first day as our new











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#### **WELCOME TO TRANSITIONING TO MGGS**

Every year we are extremely excited to welcome a new cohort of students to begin their own MGGS journey through our 'transitioning to MGGS' programme. We offer a wide range of exceptional transition events from Year 5 all the way through to joining us in Year 7. All events are relevant to year groups at the time of the event.

We have lots of fun and exciting events in the build-up to starting with us so that our students can begin to feel at home at MGGS and get to know our staff, teachers and make new friends.

We look forward to seeing you at MGGS!



#### What is available for Year 5s?

### Open Mornings & Afternoons

It gives MGGS real pleasure to invite you to book one of our forthcoming Year 5 Open Mornings or Afternoons for entry into MGGS September 2023. This is an opportunity to take a tour of MGGS with one of our current Year 7 students, visit our beautiful site and to see our school and students in action.

Date	Event	Time	Description
Monday, 4th July 2022	Open Morning Year 5	9.05-11.05am	Tours & meet our Year 7 students
Tuesday, 5th July 2022	Open Afternoon Year 5	1.30-3.30pm	Tours & meet our Year 7 students

### Year 5 Taster Days & Masterclasses

These are for students considering joining us in 2023. Students will have a unique opportunity to discover what life is really like at MGGS by experiencing taster lessons, meeting our Year 7s, exploring the school during a normal school day and enjoying a free school lunch. Parents will be given the opportunity to share the experience with a tour of MGGS at the end of the day. We also have October dates when students will be in Year 6.









Date	Event	Time	Description
Tuesday, 5th July 2022	Year 5 Taster Day	8.30am-1.20pm	Taster Masterclass in Maths, English, Science & Art

## Year 5 Taster Lessons (September 2024 Entry)

These taster lessons are specifically for students joining us in September 2024. Sessions are designed to give a flavour of lessons at MGGS whilst familiarising girls with our community, making their transition to us at the start of Year 7 a natural progression.

Term 1	Time	Event
7th September 2022 14th September 2022 21st September 2022 28th September 2022 5th October 2022	4-5pm 4-5pm 4-5pm 4-5.15pm 4-5pm	Drama Improvisation Computing Python Language & Programming PE Netball Product Design Making 'Block Bots' Magical Art at MGGS
Term 2		
2nd November 2022 14th November 2022	4-5pm 4-5pm	Science - Fireworks Astronomy

French Est-ce que tu parles français?

Media Film Review

**History Detectives** 

4-5pm

4-5pm

4-5pm

23rd November 2022

29th November 2022

7th December 2022

## Year 5 Transitioning to MGGS (September 2024 Entry)



Term 3	Time	Event
4th January 2023 25th January 2023 1st February 2023	4-5pm 4-5pm 4-5pm	Bench Ball Disco German Sprichst du Deutsch? Dance Techniques & Choreography
Term 4		
1st March 2023 7th March 2023 15th March 2023 22nd March 2023	4-5pm 4-5pm 4-5pm 4-5.15pm	Mini Website Design & Multimedia Musical Magic at MGGS The World of Biology Food & Nutrition Bread Making
Term 5		
19th April 2023 26th April 2023 10th May 2023 Term 6	4-5pm 4-5pm 4-5pm	Google & Chromebooks Spanish ¿Hablas español? Geography Explorers Investigate MGGS
7th June 2023 14th June 2023 21st June 2023 28th June 2023	4-5pm 4-5pm 4-5pm 4-5pm	11+ Prep: Creative Writing 11+ Prep: Non-Verbal Reasoning 11+ Prep: Quantiative Reasoning 11+ Prep: Verbal Reasoning
End of Term Celebration		
12th July 2023	4-5.30pm	Picnic on the Field & Rounders - Student & Parent event

#### What is available for Year 6s?

#### Open Afternoons

It gives MGGS real pleasure to invite you to book one of our forthcoming Year 6 Open Afternoons for entry into MGGS September 2023. This is an opportunity to take a tour of MGGS with one of our current Year 7 students, visit our beautiful site and to see our school and students in action.

Date	Event	Time	Description
Tuesday, 18th October 2022	Open Afternoon Year 6	1.30pm-3.30pm	Tours & meet our Year 7 students
Wednesday, 19th October 2022	? Open Afternoon Year 6	1.30pm-3.30pm	Tours & meet our Year 7 students









#### Year 6 Taster Days & Masterclasses

These are for Year 6 students considering joining us in 2023. Students will have a unique opportunity to discover what life is really like at MGGS by experiencing taster lessons, meeting our Year 7s, exploring the school during a normal school day and enjoying a free school lunch. Parents will also be invited along to share the experience with a tour of MGGS at the end of the day.

Date	Event	Time	Description
Tuesday, 18th October 2022	Year 6 Taster Day		Taster Masterclass in Maths, English, Science & Drama
Wednesday, 19th October 2022	2 Year 6 Taster Day	8.30am-1.20pm followed by a tour	Taster Masterclasses in Maths, English, Science & Dance

### Year 6 Transitioning to MGGS



### Year 6 11+ Open Evening 2022

Date	Event	Arrival Times	Description
Tuesday, 11th October 2022	11+ Open Evening	4.30pm 5.15pm 6.00pm	Tours & meet our Year 7 students

This event is for Year 6 students considering joining us in 2023. Students and parents/carers will have a unique opportunity to explore our departments, meeting our students and find out what makes MGGS such a special place.

Presentations are at 4.30pm, 5.15pm and 6pm in the Main Hall.

Our 11+ Open Evening includes:

- Headteacher, Assistant Headteacher KS3 & Year 7 and Head Student presentations
- Guided tour of MGGS by our students
- Visit our departments and speak to our specialists teaching staff and subject prefects
- Academic Achievements & Student Destinations post MGGS
- Admissions Information Station
- SEND & Medical Needs Advice ... and much more!



#### Year 7 Transitioning to MGGS









Every year we are extremely excited to welcome another cohort of students to begin their own MGGS journey, and we have been since 1888. Our students achieve their full potential and academic excellence.

We understand that moving from primary school can be a big step and so over the years we have honed an established 'transitioning to MGGS' programme for Year 5s through to the first day in Year 7. Our transition programme makes this journey, and being part of the MGGS community, as smooth and peaceful as possible to ensure our students have a true sense of belonging from day one.

We plan lots of fun and exciting events in the build-up to starting at MGGS so that students can begin to feel at home in our buildings and get to know our staff, teachers, new classmates and make new friends.

Below is a snapshot of our exciting events while transitioning to Year 7 at MGGS.

Month	Transitioning Event
March	Offer Letters for a place at MGGS
April	Easter Wishes GloJam Dance Workout
Мау	Individual Transition Meetings with Students and Parents/Carers
June	Fun Team Building event for Students and Parents/Carers Parents/Carers Information Evening & Uniform Sale
June/July	Primary School visits to Students
July	Induction Day at MGGS
September	Students' first day at MGGS
Mid September	Parents/Carers Welcome Evening

#### MGGS Fact Sheet



 MGGS is an Advanced Thinking School - We nurture our students to be intellectually sharp, agile thinkers - we are an Advanced Thinking School, and proud of it!

MGGS is currently one of very few Advanced Thinking Schools in the secondary sector, as accredited by the University of Exeter. We believe that advanced thinking plays an important part in helping our students learn as effectively as possible and equips them with the resilience, persistence and independence for a successful future.

• MGGS is a Google Leading Light School - Enhancing teaching and learning by utilising technology.

We are a forward-thinking school that continually develops teaching and learning to ensure all our students are prepared for their futures in the modern world. We have fully embedded technology throughout the school to ensure our students develop the digital skills they will need to make effective contributions to the workplace and wider society. We are proud to be a Google school!

• Our Curriculum Vision and Aims - Enabling students to achieve academic excellence with wider social awareness and responsibilities.

Our curriculum vision is to enable students to achieve academic excellence in a caring, forward thinking and supportive environment.

• Traditions of MGGS - Our traditions are what make MGGS so unique. There are many special events for you to look forward to and create fond memories you will cherish for a lifetime.

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