# **Associated Primary Schools**

# All Saints



St. Aloysius Primary School



St. Andrew's Primary School



St. Edward's Primary School



St. David's Primary School



St. Dominic's Primary School



St. Mary's Primary School



St. Serf's Primary School

Depute Head Teacher: Mrs Carol-Anne Lees

Principal Teacher of Pupil Support for session 2016-17: Mr Paul Mina

St. Margaret's High School work in partnership with our 8 cluster primary schools, All Saints PS, St. Aloysius PS, St. Andrew's PS, St. David's PS, St. Dominic's PS, St Edward's PS, St. Mary's PS and St. Serf's PS to provide a transition programme which supports and prepares all Primary pupils for the move to secondary school. Throughout the following year P7 pupils will have the opportunity to participate in a variety of activities to support their transition from primary to secondary school.

## The aims of our Transition programme include:

- An effective programme which ensures continuity and progression for all P7 pupils
- Effective transition arrangements which ensures the progressive development of the four capacities
- School staff, parents and all professionals and support agencies working together
- Having an accurate picture of each young person's previous learning, by gathering good quality information and effective use of the information
- Providing all young people with the opportunity to feel valued and well prepared for the next stage in their learning
- A focus on pupil learning and development
- Making clear decisions about what should be continued and what should be different for young people
- Providing enhanced transition for pupils in Primary 5, 6 and 7

### Parents can help support their son/daughter's transition through:

- Talking to your child about the changes they are facing and if there is anything they are unsure or worried about
- Helping your child prepare by getting everything ready the night before, for example uniform, school bag, money etc.
- Encouraging your child to take responsibility and organise themselves.
- Keeping a copy of the timetable where it can be easily seen. This will remind your child about days when certain books, or PE kit are needed.
- Taking an interest in what your child is learning and help them. If the school uses a home-school diary or homework diary, make a point of looking at it to see what they are, or should be, doing.
- Encouraging them to take part in after-school clubs and activities. These can help your child learn new things in a fun way and increase motivation to learn.
- Making a note of key school events, for example parents' evenings or afternoons, open days, school sport days.
- Contacting St. Margaret's High School immediately if you have concerns or questions.

#### **Key dates:**

27<sup>th</sup> October 2015 P7 Partnership Evening 7pm-9pm

7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup>/9<sup>th</sup> June 2016 P7 Induction Days