Hello, I am Ruby Cain, I'm head girl and I would love to welcome you to Shuttleworth College, this evening. I myself was in your place 5 years ago, when I went to Lowerhouse Junior School and I came to look around for the first time. Saying it was 5 years ago seems quite strange to me, it has flown by, however when I look back I have been able to do so much at this school.

I was very proud to be named head girl this year, as I personally feel the Shuttleworth have helped me grow into a confident person who will overcome all challenges I am faced with. The school values Achievement, Pride, Community, Perseverance and Resilience, which you can see here on the yellow stairs, are a constant reminder of what this school stands for, allowing the students to do their best in all their lessons. After year 11 I aspire to go on to do my A-levels and then potentially university. Shuttleworth are supporting me to do this with individual appointments helping us steer into the right decisions for us.

And on that note, I would like to pass you onto Will.

Hi I'm Will Slater and I'm Head Boy here at Shuttleworth. I came to Shuttleworth from Rosewood Primary where I used to be head boy in Year 6. I wanted to be Head boy here at Shuttleworth because I believed that I could make a difference to all the students' lives here. I also wanted to give something back to the school to say thank you for the excellent education they have provided. After I leave Shuttleworth I plan to go on and study BTEC in Public Services at Burnley College once I have completed the course I plan to enlist in the Royal Air Force as an officer.

In order to help us prepare for life after Shuttleworth our dedicated career advisor Mrs Ackroyd has shown us all the different ways in which we can achieve our goals. She has also had individual appointments with each year 11 student to give personal advice.

Tonight, we have a number of prefects helping out the staff. As prefects one of the main roles we have is to help the new year 7's smoothly transition into life at secondary school. In order to do this the prefects, go out to meet students at their Primary schools towards the end of the year 6; they also help with the transition days and there is a prefect in each transition day group.

On top of this prefects attend Summer School to create bonds with the new year 7's. Finally, each prefect is attached to one form group and is with them once every 2 weeks in form time, this makes them a familiar and approachable person to talk to about any problems you may have.

I'm really pleased that we have 4 year 7 speakers here this evening to talk about their transition experiences, and how they have settled in. Isaac, can you tell us about your transition day?

My name is Isaac Lewis and I came here from Padiham Primary School. Before I started Shuttleworth I felt nervous and excited because it was much bigger than my other school but I was excited to meet new people and participate in new activities.

When I came to transition day in the Summer term, I did many different lessons and got used to the school so I knew what to do every day ready for my first week.

Transition day helped me a lot because I was unsure where to go at first but the teachers and prefects made sure I went to the right classrooms.

It's natural to have worries, but you don't need to because all the teachers and students are really nice and you can share any of your worries with anyone you feel safe talking to.

Elsie will talk about our summer school.

Hi my name is Elsie Moggeridge and I went to Padiham Primary School. The first week of the summer holidays I attended Summer School here at Shuttleworth College where we did different activities and a taster of some of the lessons we would be doing such as: English, History, Computing, Art and much more.

Before Summer school, I was scared of not being able to find my way around and if I would make new friends or not. After my exciting week I felt more confident for the first day, I learnt lots of new skills on the computer and really enjoyed meeting new friends and the teachers. Summer school boosted my confidence a lot – I even wrote a poem about Shuttleworth and read it to everyone at the end of the week!

Now I am here I feel very happy and settled. I am still friends with my primary friends but have made lots of new friends too. Enrichment clubs are a great way to meet new people and learn new skills.

Lilly-May will tell you a little but more about what it's like to be in year 7.

Hello, my name Is Lilly and I came here from Lowerhouse Junior school. Throughout my first few weeks at Shuttleworth College I have had quite a lot of support from my form tutor Mr Hafiji and my head of year Mrs Grice, as well as many other teachers. On my first week I didn't really know where I was going and our teachers didn't really mind if we were late as we were just settling in and learning to find our way around.

Another good thing is that you are in a high-performance group. This means there are different abilities in your group and everyone aims really high to achieve their potential. You will have a few people from your old school with you in your form, as well as meeting lots of new people. You don't have different people in every class either, you go to each class with the same people. I like to have classes with

my form because I feel more comfortable and confident talking and working with the same people and we have built good relationships. I also have made a lot of new friends.

Daniel will tell you a bit more about Shuttleworth life.

My name is Daniel Odupitan, and I came from Lowerhouse Junior School. In Shuttleworth Year 7 I am really enjoying English and Drama. Drama is very entertaining with fun activities to do that help you with acting and performing. It also builds your confidence.

English is very fun with lots of reading and the chance to do free writing. This is a lesson about using your imagination to make all types of stories.

At Shuttleworth we get regular homework and we use the app to check it. Homework can be accessed at break and lunch times if you can't access this at home, our library is also open after school every day.

After school student enrichment clubs are available. The main club I attend is football which many people like. There is also just girls on Wednesday and Thursday will be mixed. For further information ask your head of year, your form tutor or check the website. This was a lovely experience to share with you. Always remember to think big, chase dream and succeed together!

I'll now pass to Ellie, one of our deputy head girls.

Well done to our year 7 speakers!

My name is Ellie Allum and I am deputy head girl here at Shuttleworth College and I went to Holy Trinity Primary School.

My future aspirations are to become either a registered midwife or a neonatal nurse and Shuttleworth is helping me with this through support from all teachers within all my lessons and being able to ask any advice from our career leaders here. I feel fully supported to achieve my potential in all curriculum areas.

There are many leadership roles available at Shuttleworth. These include being an ambassador in Yr7 through 10 where you can become a prefect in Yr11. All leaders embody school values and we are committed to helping our peers and acting as role models. There is also Student Council in Year 7 through 11 where students have a chance to request any changes in the school such as new extra curricular activities. The prefects guide the ambassadors in what to do, with activities such as a community outreach project where we aim to help make a difference outside of the school.

Here's Harri who will give you a bit more information about this evening.

Welcome parents and carers to our opening evening. My name is Harri Irving, I am Deputy Head Boy of this school and I originally came from Ightenhill Primary School; which some of you may know. I am very proud to be a student leader. Martin Luther King Jr said that "I have a dream." I do too and you probably have a dream of your own which you will be able to work towards at Shuttleworth. But my dream is special to me thanks to Miss Price and business studies; I have a dream to become an entrepreneur. Shuttleworth provides the support I need with incredible GCSE courses to help make sure that I achieve my best and access the grades I need to do my A level courses.

At all stages of school life, Shuttleworth staff and student leaders are here to help you to fulfil your potential. Finally, I would like to say thank you to all of you listening and please enjoy exploring our school, be curious and ask questions. You may wish to explore at your own leisure; you can roam our school freely and look at our

different departments for our various subjects in our school. If you would like a guide from our students, they would be happy to help you and students are waiting in the canteen, the atrium and our main reception. Can the families sitting in the top rows please exit up the stairs into the canteen and may the families at the front please exit down towards the atrium. Thank you and enjoy the rest of your evening.