

Candidate 1 evidence

Personal Writing

I hate School

I was going from primary school into my first year in high school. At the time I didn't know where anything was or who anyone was and knowing that made me worried because I would always feel like I was going to get lost or if people came up to me, I wouldn't know how to act. At the time the only people I know were people from my primary school, so I had some friends, but I didn't know any other students or teachers.

When we got there on the first day of school, we had people take us around and show us all the blocks/classes (Block A was Maths, B English and C History/Modern studies/RE and Geography and Science, Music and HE all shared a block). After being shown around we got our timetables and since we sort of knew where the classes, we went to them but if we got lost, we could always ask someone in a higher year to show us where it was. In first year, I was very small. This made me feel vulnerable because most people were taller than me.

The first lesson I probably enjoyed was Modern Studies because we would always have debates in class. I liked my modies teacher because he was funny and nice and always tried to make his class fun so people wouldn't get bored and not do their work.

The lesson I least enjoyed is most likely Maths because my teacher in first year was very moody and she always gave us lots of homework all the time. It was very annoying because she basically gave us homework at least 2-3 times a week, so when I'd get home, I could never really do what I wanted or sometimes I would just not do it because she always gave us tons of it. I learned from not doing the homework I'd get worse scores during tests.

The lesson I didn't like but didn't dislike in first Year was either PE or Woodwork because in Woodwork it got very boring very quick, but I didn't dislike it because my teacher would always try make it fun for us like. The things I found fun in woodwork/technology was the 3D

modelling because we would make different things. Sometimes it was annoying because you'd miss a step or forget what he said. This helped me learn that I need to focus and pay more attention.

The way I feel about school now is, I'm still not a fan of it, but I don't really mind doing it now because I need it for my qualifications so I can get a job. I do like some subjects though such as PE because I get to do volleyball and badminton etc. I also like Skills for Life because it's basically a free period most of the time same with YPI because we usually just study or sit on our phones. It isn't really a good use of time though because you could use it for more important things.

The school is big now, all the departments and classes have all been put into one building, so it is a lot easier to navigate your way around the school. (Math, Sciences, Languages and ICT is on the top floor, English, Music, History, Geography, Modern studies is on the middle floor and PE, Woodwork and Drama are on the ground floor). Since first Year I've made friends from other schools and I'm able to talk with people I don't know sometimes. This shows that I've gained confidence by being in the school for so long.

When it was time for my prelims, I was feeling alright but if I hadn't studied for it, I'd be a little nervous about it. I wouldn't stress myself out because that would probably make me do worse in the exams. Preparing for the prelims I didn't really revise much I basically just winged it, which I regret a lot because my results weren't very good, so I've learned that when exams come up this year and next year, I'm going to need to revise for all my subjects more because if I don't, I'm not going to end up passing them and not getting any qualifications. This makes me feel annoyed at myself for not doing as much work as I could've. I'm also going to study in my YPI and skills class when I get the chance because that'll also help me pass my exams this year and next year.

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