

Facts and Myths about High Schools

(Choices Additional Information Section 2)

Everyone has been to school and therefore everyone has their favourite story of things they did or did not like from their experience. All our experiences are different.

In changing from one school to another there has become a mythology that can be passed from one generation to another about the things which can be expected.

Test your knowledge of the Myths and Facts which can make up this experience...

Decide if each of these statements are generally true or generally false...

- The thing children find the most scary about starting a new school is worrying about if they will be able to do the work.
- Children are more likely to be bullied in High schools than in primary or middle schools
- The toilets in the new school will be a dangerous place for my child.
- There will be more exposure to people who take drugs in the High School
- Older children in the school find ways of picking on the new members of the school in the first week
- The thing children find most scary about a new school is making new friends or not being with their old friends.
- The thing children find most scary about a new school is the amount of homework
- My child will be sent home from school if they are not wearing the right uniform
- Parents often worry more than their children about the change of school
- Most children enjoy the change of school
- The teachers in the new school will not know about my child's specific needs.
- There are real behavioural problems in High Schools many of the teachers struggle to control the classes.