

7th June 2024

Dear Parent/Carers

It has been wonderful to start to get to know some of our new cohort throughout primary school visits and in school workshops over the last few weeks and I look forward to meeting more of our new starters as the weeks go on. I am writing to you with an **important date change for the New parent information meeting because of the general election**. There is also some additional information below about our transition day on the 5th of July.

Firstly, a reminder that we still have one more of our Performing and Creative Arts workshops to go. The 1st workshop was very well attended and we were so impressed with the conduct and ability of our new students. Our next workshop is on **Wednesday 26th June 4-5pm**. [Sign up here](#) if you wish for your child to take part.

**DATE CHANGE: Wednesday 3rd of July: New year 7 parents information evening-** 5-6pm at Orchard Park High (students are welcome to attend this event too but it is not compulsory)

**Friday 5th July: Transition day-** Students will arrive at school at **9am** and the school day will finish at **2.30pm**. Students need to arrive in their **current school's uniform**. Parents are asked to drop off and collect their child from the outside blue gate.

Students will need:

- Pens
- Pencils
- Bottle of water
- We will provide lunch but children are welcome to bring a packed one if they would rather.

If your child has any medical needs or will require medication, please can we ask that you come to reception to discuss this with our welfare lead at 9am.

A reminder that we also have our one to one transition meetings for families with a member of teaching staff on **Tuesday 9th July**. You will be sent your time slot in the next few weeks.

**Summer School: Wednesday 21st and Thursday 22nd August: Summer School (optional but encouraged).**

Our summer school promises to be two days of fun and friendship and an opportunity for Orchard Park to feel like home before September. Complete this [Google Form](#) to sign up. Students can wear their own choice of clothing for Summer School, but this must be appropriate attire for physical activity. In addition, students will need to bring their own packed lunch (those in receipt of Free School Meals will have a packed lunch provided) and plenty of water. The summer school day will run from **10.00am to 3.00pm** each day.

### **Uniform**

Please visit our school website for all the information you will need for transition, including uniform requirements. A reminder that our new starters will be wearing a **green stripe** on their jumpers. We will also have a second hand uniform sale on Wednesday 3rd of July at the parent information event.

**September**

A reminder that the school term for year 7 students starts on **Tuesday the 3rd of September** where year 7 learners will have a full induction day designed to support them in understanding our school's routines, policies and procedures. The day will start at 8.20am and students will be dismissed at 2.30pm. Students will need to bring a packed lunch on this day unless they qualify for FSM.

We look forward to seeing you all soon.

Yours faithfully,

Ms Ongley  
**Assistant Headteacher**