

HURWORTH — SCHOOL —

13th June 2024

Dear Parents/Carers,

Re: Transition days

Your child will shortly be taking part in Y6 Transition days at Hurworth School, a very exciting part of their educational journey. These days are Wednesday 26th, Thursday 27th and Friday 28th June 2024. I realise both you and your child may have questions about Transition days, all of which I hope to answer in this letter. Should you however have additional questions, please do not hesitate to contact me via transition.enquiries@hur.inicioacademies.org.uk

Each day will begin at 9.40am and end at 2.30pm. Students can be dropped off in the school canteen from 9.30am. Students can be collected from the school canteen from 2.30pm. The canteen is accessed via an external door to the left of the main reception, at the front of the school (there will be signage to direct you). Please see the “Keep at home Transition Starter Pack 2024” for information about pick-ups and drop-offs (please note that Transition Day timings are different to the usual school day timings to alleviate congestion at the front of the school).

During Transition days, students will be grouped for lessons/activities, but these groups are not indicative of any final groupings for September.

On Wednesday 26th and Friday 28th, we request that students wear their usual primary school uniform and on Thursday 27th, we request that students wear their primary school PE kit. It is advisable for all students to bring a coat each day as appropriate to the weather as they will be outside for breaktimes and lunchtimes. Students do not need to bring writing equipment, but they may wish to bring a bottle of water (which can be refilled throughout the day as required).

We plan for students to have a morning break during which they will be offered toast and a drink free of charge in the canteen. At lunchtime, they may either bring a packed lunch, or they may choose a meal from the canteen. If your child is bringing a packed lunch, we request that you do not include any items which contain nuts (as per the guidance given in the “Keep at home Transition Starter Pack 2024”). If your child is planning to choose a meal from the canteen, we request that on the first day of the Transition (Wednesday 26th), you send in £7.50 which we will collect from your child (unless your child is eligible for FSM). This will cover the cost of your child’s meals for the three days and will mean that your child does not have to carry cash each day (as explained in the “Keep at home Transition Starter Pack 2024”, our canteen operates a biometric cashless system, however your child is not yet registered so cannot utilise this system during the Transition days). A menu will be made available to you over the coming weeks so that you and your child have an idea of what will be on offer in the canteen.

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We are currently gathering medical and dietary information during our visits to primary schools, however, if your child does have medical or dietary requirements, I encourage you to contact me via the email above so that we may discuss these needs in detail and establish whether any special arrangements need to be put in place in the canteen and beyond.

Prior to Transition days, all feeder primary schools will have been visited and we will have discussed your child's learning needs with his/her current class teacher. However, if you and/or your child have any concerns about this, please do get in touch and we can discuss this so that you feel reassured and confident that your child's needs will be met.

On Thursday 27th June, there will be a Y6 Information Evening for parents/carers. This will comprise of an information session in the main hall followed by the opportunity to purchase uniform from Elizabeths Embroidery, speak with a representative of the School Aged Immunisation Service and discuss our school's wellbeing offer with Mrs Douglass. To ensure parents/carers can attend, we will be offering this event in two sittings. One presentation will start at 5pm and we will then repeat it at 5.45pm. Below outlines which time to attend, depending on which primary school your child currently attends:

5pm	Croft C of E, Firthmoor, Gurney Pease, Harrowgate Hill, Heathfield, Hurworth Primary, Mount Pleasant, Northwood, Polam, Reid Street, St Bedes Catholic Primary, St Johns, St Teresas Catholic Primary and The Rydal Academy.
5.45pm	Abbey, Bishopton Redmarshall, High Coniscliffe, Skerne Park, St Marys C of E, St Georges C of E, Staindrop and West Park.

We look forward to welcoming you and your child into the school for Y6 Transition. If you have any queries in relation to Transition, please contact me via the email listed above.

Yours faithfully,



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