

June 2018

Dear Parent/Carer

TRANSITION WEEK AT RIDGEWOOD SCHOOL

I am writing to invite your child to visit Ridgewood School for our Year 6 Transition week, designed to support a seamless transfer to Secondary school. Students will be taking part in a variety of lessons which is designed to introduce the students to the Year 7 academic curriculum as well as focusing on our high expectations, routines and procedures to ensure they are ready to make a flying start in September. The students will be working alongside our young prefect leaders who will play a key part in their successful introduction to Ridgewood School.

Provisional tutor groups have been created using information about your child's academic progress, attitude and learning needs. This information has been provided by their Primary school. Please note that there may be some amendments to the tutor groups following Transition Week as we ensure all students are in learning groups to ensure the best possible social and academic outcomes.

Transition week runs from Monday, 9th July to Friday 13th July and students are expected to attend on all 5 days.

You will need to make your own arrangements to transport your child to Ridgewood School each morning, unless your primary school is within walking distance. In this case, your Y6 teacher will give you further details. Students will be transported back to their primary school for collection at the end of the day. See the table below for further details.

- Students should arrive at Ridgewood no earlier than 9.15am but no later than 9.30am and assemble at Reception, where they will be met by staff and prefects who will escort them during the day.
- Students will have 3 breaks so will need to bring a snack, drinks and a packed lunch (if not provided for them)
- If your child is in receipt of free school meals, a packed lunch will be provided by their Primary school.
- They should bring with them writing and drawing equipment.
- Students should wear their current school uniform, with no jewellery (including earrings). Students who require medication to be administered during this week should bring this in the original packaging, clearly labelled with the child's name and the dosage.

	Journey 1: 2.35 Departure	Journey 2: 3.10 Departure	Journey 3: 3.45 Departure
Monday	Copley	Barnburgh	Richmond Hill
Tuesday	Richmond Hill	Copley	Barnburgh
Wednesday	Barnburgh	Richmond Hill	Copley
Thursday	Copley	Barnburgh	Richmond Hill
Friday	Richmond Hill	Copley	Barnburgh

PE Kit for the week

PE lessons will take place throughout the week. Please see your individual timetable for when this day will be. This timetable will be sent through to our feeder schools nearer the time. Students are required to bring a suitable change of clothes and trainers.

Induction Evening for parents – Wednesday 11th July 2018

We would like to invite all parents/carers to this evening. The evening will be structured as follows.

Arrival for all: 5:30pm

Surnames of students A -J

5:45pm Presentation in Faraday Auditorium

6:15pm Parents will then be directed to a room in Faraday where your child's form tutor will speak to you as a group for around 20 minutes

Surnames of students K - Z

5:45pm Parents and students will be directed to a room in Faraday where your child's form tutor will speak to you as a group for around 20 minutes

6:15pm Presentation in Faraday Auditorium

Please note, some form tutors are recent appointments to the school and not yet teaching at Ridgewood so may not be present on this evening. Rachel Rix Assistant Headteacher, Director of Learning Support and her team will be available throughout the evening if you wish to consult them about specific support/medical needs that your child has upon transitioning to secondary education.

If you have any questions or concerns about your child's visit, please do not hesitate to contact Mr Ball, KS3 Progress Leader or Mrs Hamilton, Deputy Headteacher.

We look forward to welcoming your child to Ridgewood School and getting to know them during our Transition Week.

Yours sincerely



M Dunn
Headteacher