

14th June 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

RE: Transition Evening 27th June 2024

We hope this letter finds you well. We are writing to inform you about the upcoming transition evening for Year 6 students who will be joining our secondary school in September. The transition evening will be held on **Thursday 27th June** from **6:00 pm until 7:30 pm** and is exclusively for parents/carers. During the evening, we will provide an outline of the school year and the expectations ahead. You will also have the opportunity to meet your child's tutor and hear a presentation from the Headteacher. In addition, all parents will receive a parental guide to help navigate the transition process.

During the evening, there will be stands set up to address various topics. One stand will focus on uniform requirements, where you can learn about the specific details. Another stand will provide information about EduLink, a platform that supports student development in all areas. We will also have representatives from Reading Plus and Sparx, two programs aimed at enhancing reading and math skills as well as information around our Summer School. Additionally, there will be a stand dedicated to knowledge organisers, which are tools designed to aid students in organising their learning and much more. This is an invaluable time to ask your questions in real-time and gain a real understanding of what your child's life will be like at Bexhill Academy.

Our administrative team will be available at a stand to assist you with completing any necessary forms, including applying for Free School Meals (FSM) if applicable. We also encourage you to join the new PTA / or Parents Community Support Team, as they play a vital role in supporting our school community.

Furthermore, you will have the opportunity to meet our transition team and Senior Leadership Team during the evening. They will be happy to answer any questions or concerns you may have about the transition process.

As well as providing you with information on the upcoming transition evening, we would like to take this time to give you some information on the forthcoming transition days your child will be partaking in. From the **1st to the 3rd of July**, students will visit our secondary school from their primary schools. On **Monday and Tuesday**, students should arrive at **8:40 am** in their primary uniform. On **Wednesday**, they should arrive at **8:30 am** in their PE kit. Please ensure your child brings a water bottle and a packed lunch every day. If your child is eligible for FSM, a packed lunch will be provided.

We kindly request that students bring a pencil case with them every day during the transition week in order to be ready for learning.

During the three days of the transition week, students will participate in a variety of lessons including PE. They will also have the opportunity to meet their tutor, undergo a reading assessment, and attend a celebration assembly. There is a theme to this year's transition and as a special treat, each student will receive a new book called "Safiyah's War" that we hope they will enjoy reading over the summer. At the end of each day, students will be escorted up the drive at 2:50 pm and **dismissed at the top gate at 3:00 pm**.

We would like to note that the coffee morning on the 28th has been postponed and we will be in touch with a new date.

We hope that both the transition evening and days for your child will provide a smooth and enjoyable transition into our secondary school. If you have any further questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact us.

We look forward to seeing you,

Kind Regards

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Eleanore Gordon". The script is cursive and elegant, with a prominent initial 'E' and 'G'.

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