

# Testwood- Year 6 Transition Final Bulletin

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome again, this time to the final formal transition bulletin prior to your child starting in September. This bulletin contains information regarding your child's first day, and other key dates, as well as messages from your child's tutor and other useful information.

Please let us know if you have any further questions or concerns, and we will do our best to answer them as soon as possible.

Best wishes,

The Transition Team

#### Transition Days Review

As you know your child attended Testwood Transition Days on Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> and Friday 4<sup>th</sup> July. They experienced both a "Day in the Life of Testwood School" and a day of fun where the children had the opportunity to get to know their peers well.

The children were **absolutely fantastic** during both transition days last week. All of their teachers were really impressed with them and it was amazing to see them grow in confidence throughout the two days. I hope they all enjoyed the days as much as we did.



We can't wait to welcome you in September. Remember to make a really, really good start so that you get into good habits as soon as possible. Good organisation is a crucial part of your educational experience. "Be ready, be respectful and be responsible" and you will find the early days at Testwood a really positive experience!

Thank you and have a fantastic Summer Holiday!

## Your Child's First Day – Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> September



Year 7 children should arrive to Testwood by 8.20am entering via the Student Entrance. Staff and Senior prefects will be on hand to show pupils to the main hall for a Welcome Assembly from Mr Webber and Mr Jenkins which starts at 8.30am. All tutors will be there to welcome their group and show them where to sit.

All children should be in full school uniform and there is no need for them to bring their PE kit on day 1. After an assembly for 20 minutes, the children will go with their tutors to their tutor room for an hour to receive their school diary, timetable and other induction information.

At 9.50am all children will be shown where to go for their period 2 lesson. They will then follow their timetable for the rest of the day.

#### Purchasing Food from the Canteen

All children will be able to access food from the canteen as long as parents and carers have placed funds on ParentPay. Information explaining the process for registering will be sent out in July so that you can complete the registration process over the summer, ready for the 4<sup>th</sup> September. Those on free school meals will be able to access food at lunch. All parents need to register on ParentPay, as all food purchases and payment for trips or activities are through this method.

Don't forget to visit our website for any further updates as we approach September!

#### **Summer Projects**



As you know your child received their Summer Projects during the Transition Days. These projects are also available on the Year 6 Transition page on the school website

#### **Testwood School Transition Page**

The children can bring these in on the first day back after the summer holidays and hopefully be awarded a special Sunshine badge – something to aim for!



### Key Dates for Next Term

Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> September -Testwood Staff INSET day.

Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> September – Year 7 and 11 students start at Testwood.

Friday 5<sup>th</sup> September - All students return to Testwood.

Monday 8th September- School Photographs.

Thursday 9th October - Meet the Tutor Event (details to follow in the new term).

Last day of half term: Friday 24<sup>th</sup> October (return Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> November).



I hope that your child is really looking forward to starting at Testwood. Thank you all so much for your support and I wish you all an enjoyable summer holiday.

Take care and we look forward to meeting you again in September!

Thank you,

The Transition Team

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