

# Court Fields School

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Dear Parents/Carers

We are very pleased to confirm that arrangements are now well underway for our new Year 7 cohort to join us at Court Fields School at the start in September.

At this time, students can feel a mixture of emotions – excitement at the prospect of new opportunities, nervousness at the scale of a secondary school and the number of new people to be met, and a little sad to be leaving the primary school they know so well. We hope to remove any worries during the **Transition Days on Tuesday 1st and Wednesday 2nd July** when all the students who will be transferring in September come for a two-day experience of life at our school, ready for their start in September.

## Welcome Day Arrangements

On Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> July students should arrive at the School Hall at Court Fields at 9.30am for a day of school based activities and familiarisation.

- The usual practice is that students who attend Beech Grove, St John's, Rockwell Green and Wellesley Park attend their respective primary school as usual and are then escorted to Court Fields by primary school staff.
- Families of students who attend other primary schools will need to arrange to transport the students directly to Court Fields ready for the Welcome Day at 9.30am.
- The students will leave at 3.00pm on Tuesday to go home directly or collected from the Main Hall. Should you wish your child to walk home directly, please ensure the consent form below is completed prior to these days.
- **If you have not already returned** the permission to walk home slips, please click this link to complete: Consent to walk home link – copy and paste into another browser [https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=TMWzDV\\_ehEOvSVVJNFPd\\_xibXrt08mwdCkToP-xR1D55UQUqyN1g5UU9SN09ETEVBTvFVQ0FWOEIYWS4u](https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=TMWzDV_ehEOvSVVJNFPd_xibXrt08mwdCkToP-xR1D55UQUqyN1g5UU9SN09ETEVBTvFVQ0FWOEIYWS4u)
- **Please note that we will not be able to release students to walk home without consent either via paper copy or online. Students being collected will be dismissed by E Block Playground at the Welly Park/Beechgrove end of school**

The students will need to attend in their primary school uniform both days, no PE kit is required. We have been fortunate in securing funding to provide each child with a ready filled pencil case, which will be given out when they arrive on the 2<sup>nd</sup> day.

On Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> July, students should come straight to Court Fields and arrive by **8.35am** so that they can register in E Block Playground, by the Welly Park Entrance.

Students will be met by their tutor and follow a full day of learning experiences. The programme on this day is designed to give an introduction to the school's routines, and to some of the specialist areas and facilities.

Students will leave at 3.10pm on Wednesday afternoon in the same manner as Tuesday. A copy of the programme for the two days is enclosed, students will find out their groups when they arrive on 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> of July.



During the two days, our Year 7 Transition Leaders will be supporting the students in classes and escorting them around the school.

### **Lunchtime Arrangements**

To enable students get a taste of our canteen experience, we have arranged for students to be provided with a cooked lunch and dessert on both of the days. We will be providing meat and vegetarian options.

Please do contact the school office if your child has any specific dietary requirements, alternatively, students may choose to bring a packed lunch, which will be eaten, in the Hall. Students will have a mid-morning break on Tuesday and Wednesday and we request students bring a snack for these times. All students will be offered a free cooked lunch both days including those eligible for free school meals.

If you think that you may be eligible for free school meals in September then please visit <http://www.somerset.gov.uk/education-learning-and-schools/school-life/free-school-meals> where you can either fill in the online form or print a paper copy which should be directly returned to Entitlement Team, County Hall, Taunton, TA1 4DY. If you are already in receipt of free school meals this will automatically continue in September.

### **Year 7 Residential**

We have secured our Year 7 residential that will take place on 24th September – 26th September 2025 at The Ultimate Adventure Centre in Bideford. The letter with more details is enclosed. The approximate cost will be £200.00.

Please also see attached further details relating to the residential.

### **Year 6 Parents/Carers Meeting – Wednesday 2nd July**

We will be holding a Transition Evening on Wednesday 2nd July for all parents/carers. **It is essential that you attend even if you have older children at the school as there will be some different information shared.** This will provide additional information to help students to make a positive transfer in September. There is limited space in the Hall, so only Year 6 students and their parents/carers can be accommodated. Due to the size of the Year Group we will hold two sessions:

- **Session 1** – Parents and Carers and children transferring from Beech Grove, Langford Budville, Rockwell Green and Sampford Arundel. At **6.00pm** there will be a presentation in the **School Hall** by the Headteacher. From **6.30pm** onwards there is an opportunity to meet pastoral and support staff in the **Sports Hall**.
- **Session 2** - Parents and Carers and children transferring from Wellesley Park, St John's, Milverton, West Buckland and all other schools. At **6.00pm** there is an opportunity to meet pastoral and support staff in the **Sports Hall** then at **6.35pm** there will be a presentation in the **School Hall** by Mrs Matthews, Mrs Westwood and Mrs Samuel.

### **School Uniform and PE Kit**

South West School Wear (suppliers of all uniform) and Workwear Online will be providing uniform samples for you to see during the Transition Evening and the chance to pre-order. All uniform is available to purchase from Workwear Online in Westpark Trading Estate, Wellington ([workwearonline.co.uk](http://workwearonline.co.uk)) and South West School Wear in East Reach, Taunton ([swschoolwear.co.uk](http://swschoolwear.co.uk)).

All students wear the same tie and houses will be shown via a blazer badge, which will be on sale at the Parents' Meeting (cash or card accepted). The tie cost is £4.25, the house badge is £1.00. The required branded PE kit for Year 7 includes the black PE top and quarter zip tech-fleece (PE hoodies are not allowed for Key Stage 3). Black sports shorts or sports leggings, black football socks as well as black sports socks are required but can be purchased at any online or high street sports shop, as well as via our uniform suppliers.

Our new 3G pitch opened in autumn 2024, so students will need astro-trainers, for outdoor use, as well as sports trainers for indoor use. School shoes should not be worn at any time for PE.

**School uniform MUST BE named and we recommend that you use woven name tapes, name stamps etc in all school clothing, or a permanent marker pen.**

#### **Calculators**

The school's Maths Department recommend that all students have the same calculator, and these will also be on sale for £9.15 which can be purchased on the Transition Evening.

#### **Year 6 Information Pack**

Your primary school will have given out a Data Collection Pack this term. **If you have not yet completed** these forms Please return all forms completed to Court Fields School as soon as possible. It is vital these are returned as soon as possible to ensure all our admin processes are carried out prior to September. The pack will allow students to complete their bio metric print/code to allow cashless payments and access to Scopay/Bromcom in September. It is vital to return this asap, providing two emergency contacts.

**The new term for Year 7 students starts on Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> September from 8.40am – 3.15pm. Year 7 & 11 will be the only students attending that day. School buses will be running at the normal time for students who attend the village schools.**

We look forward to meeting you on Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> July.  
Yours sincerely,

*S Westwood*

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