

## SCHOOL UNIFORM

### School Uniform Policy

Uniform is supplied by [Skoolkit](#), Parkway, Newbury.

Tel: 01635 38285; Email: [newbury@trutex.com](mailto:newbury@trutex.com)

The School code required when ordering is 869/4001.

Secondhand Uniform: We have a small stock of secondhand uniform including blazers and some PE kit. To enquire about secondhand uniform, please [EMAIL](#).

**Stationery:** The School Shop (at the main school office) can supply items of stationery such as dictionaries (English and French), pens, pencils etc. We sell items individually or as stationery bundles:

#### Basic Pencil Case Set £2.50

Clear pencil case, black, blue and green pen, pencil, ruler, rubber, sharpener, geometry maths set.

#### Full Pencil Case Set £12.50

As above PLUS scientific calculator.

These will be available to buy on Transition Evening – CASH ONLY.

### PUPIL PREMIUM STUDENTS (PP)

**PP students** will receive a Full Pencil Case Set, inc calculator, FREE OF CHARGE.

**PP students** can apply for support with uniform; to enquire about this, please contact by [EMAIL](#).

## STUDENT ADMISSION FORMS

If you have not yet returned your form, please complete and return as soon as possible. If you are having any difficulty completing the form, please contact the school office on 01488 682400 and our admin team will be happy to support you. The link to the form is [HERE](#).

## TRANSITION DAY - WED 1<sup>ST</sup> JULY

This is a really important day for all rising Year 7 students and we look forward to welcoming everyone. Students will get to meet everyone in their year group and in particular, their Year 7 tutor and tutor group.

During the day students will enjoy some science and technology activities and a PE session. **Students should wear their primary school PE kit and trainers.**

Students will be able to try out the school restaurant - they should **bring maximum of £5** which will buy lunch, a snack and a drink. If your child is entitled to Free School Meals, they will receive a free lunch on Transition Day.

**Students should arrive for 9am and be collected at 2.30pm.** Please bring your child to the Main Reception, where they will be met by our Pastoral Team.

**PLEASE COMPLETE THE [CONSENT FORM](#) TO ALLOW YOUR CHILD TO ATTEND TRANSITION DAY. DEADLINE - MONDAY 1<sup>ST</sup> JUNE.**

## TRANSITION EVENING

**Wed 1st July, 5pm to 6pm**

We hope you will join us for this key information evening..

## PRIMARY VISITS

A key part of the transition process is finding out as much about your child as we can before they join us. Our Transition Lead and SENDCO have started visiting each primary school to gather information that will help us to make the transition to secondary as smooth as possible for every student. These visits will continue throughout this term.

## TRANSPORT

Reminder - if your child will require transport to school, please [APPLY](#) as soon as possible.

## TERM DATES

Our term dates for 2026-27 are provided here and can always be found on our website. **Year 7 students start on Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2026.**

	Term dates	Students Return	Inset Days	
Term 1	01 Sep - 22 Oct	03-Sep	01 & 02 Sep	JOG Inset
Term 2	03 Nov - 18 Dec	03-Nov	30-Nov	Trust Inset
Term 3	04 Jan - 12 Feb	06-Jan	04 & 05 Jan	JOG / Trust Inset
Term 4	22 Feb - 25 Mar	22-Feb		
Term 5	12 Apr - 28 May	12-Apr		
Term 6	07 Jun - 23 Jul	07-Jun	21-Jun	JOG Inset

## KEY DATES

**Transition visits to primaries**  
During April and May

**Transition Newsletter 4**  
Week beginning Mon 23rd June

**Transition Day**  
Wed 1<sup>st</sup> July, 9am - 2.30pm

**Transition Evening**  
Wed 1<sup>st</sup> July, 5pm - 6pm

## MEET THE WELFARE TEAM FOR 2026-27



Mr Smith  
Assistant Vice Principal  
for Behaviour & Welfare



Mrs Wade  
Welfare Manager



Mrs Bowdidge  
Welfare Assistant



Miss Winney  
Welfare Assistant



Miss Ford  
Head of House



Miss O'Brien  
Head of House



Miss Walecki  
Head of House

Starting a new school can feel exciting - but it can also feel a bit overwhelming. That's why we have a Welfare and Safeguarding Team here just for you. We're here to make sure you feel safe, supported, and happy during your time at school. If you ever have a problem, feel worried, or just need someone to talk to, you can come and speak to us. No problem is too small - if it's bothering you, we want to help. Our role is to promote the wellbeing of everyone in our school community, ensuring they feel valued, safe, and supported. Our core values of ambition, care and courage are central for all students.

What is offered to students by the Welfare team:

- Emotional Support: The welfare team provides a safe space for students to discuss any emotional or personal challenges they may be facing. This includes access to counselling services and regular check-ins to ensure students feel heard and supported.
- Academic Support: We work closely with teachers to identify students who may need additional academic support and provide resources to help them succeed.
- Mental Health Awareness: We promote mental health awareness, encouraging students to understand and prioritise their mental wellbeing.
- Bullying Prevention and Intervention: We implement and enforce anti-bullying policies, providing students with the tools and support to report bullying and ensuring a safe and respectful school environment.
- Crisis Intervention: In situations where students face immediate challenges, the welfare team acts swiftly to provide necessary support and resources.
- Collaboration with External Agencies: When necessary, the welfare team collaborates with external agencies to provide specialised support services for students, ensuring a comprehensive approach to their wellbeing.

Some of the support offered, but not limited to:

- ELSA (Emotional Literacy Support Assistant) - to help with emotions, friendships, and managing feelings.
- Time to Talk - Counselling for young people which can be accessed either in or outside of school.
- Mentoring - Someone to check in with you regularly and support with goals.
- MHST (Mental Health Support Team) - help with anxiety, low mood, and emotional wellbeing.
- SPARK - A group to develop positive mindset and work towards individual aspirations.
- Berkshire Youth - Youth workers offering practical advice, guidance, and activities and mentoring.

All the support we offer is child-centred, which means it's all about you - your needs, your voice, and your wellbeing. If you ever need us, we're here. Just come and speak to a member of the team, you will be listened to and supported every step of the way.

You will see us around school, and you're always welcome to come and find us if you need anything. We're friendly, we will listen, and everything you tell us is handled with care and respect. We look forward to welcoming you all in September 2026.

**AMBITION - CARE - COURAGE**