

To Parent/Carers of all transfer students

Dear Parent/Carer

I am delighted your child will be joining us at Langtree School in September this year and I am writing with information about the Year 6 Taster Day, along with further information which you will find helpful in the transition process between primary and secondary school.

I will be making a visit to all the primary schools in June, and will be able to answer any further questions that your child may have about the Taster Day then.

Please note: due to the ongoing Corona Virus pandemic, some of the information given below may be subject to change. However, you will be notified in advance of any changes necessary and if we are unable to run any of the events, we will be holding 'virtual' events instead.

Year 6 Taster Day – Tuesday 5th July 2022

On **Tuesday 5 July**, all Year 6 children who are starting at Langtree this September are invited to come and spend the day with us. The Taster Day is an opportunity for your son/daughter to become more familiar with the school and meet some of the teachers. It is also an opportunity to meet other children who will be coming to Langtree from a large number of primary schools. Although we use a cashless catering system, Year 6 students will be able to use cash on the day to buy their lunch. Alternatively, they can bring a packed lunch if they wish. Please see our website under 'About Us' > ['Admissions'](#) for further details.

Transport for Taster Day

The school day begins at 8.40am for morning registration and ends at 3.00pm. Unfortunately, primary school students are not able to use Oxfordshire County Council school transport for this day, so you will need to make arrangements to transport your child/ren to school and back. Please make sure that your child arrives in school by 8.35am. They will be met by older students and brought to the main hall. At the end of the day the school buses take a while to leave the site, so to avoid congestion it would be appreciated if you could delay collecting your child until 3.15pm, after the buses have left.

Parents' Transition Workshops – Wednesday 25 May at 9.30am, Tuesday 7 June and Monday 13 June at 6pm, 2022.

To be held in the Main School Hall. This is an informal workshop which parents are invited to attend to discuss their hopes, expectations and concerns around their child's transition from primary to secondary school. If you would like to attend this event, please email Mrs Belcher at: bbelcher@langtreeschool.com

'Singles' Transition Event – Thursday 30 June 2022, 9.30am – 10.30am. This event is for any students where they are the only student transferring to Langtree from their primary school. It is an opportunity for them to meet other students who are also coming independently; make friends and to feel part of a group before the Taster Day. If you would like your child to attend this event, please email Mrs Belcher at: bbelcher@langtreeschool.com

Coffee Morning – TBA- in the 'Lion's Den', ground floor Woodcote Community Centre. This is a coffee morning for all parents of children starting school at Langtree in September 2022. A selection of key staff and a representative from Trutex will be there to answer any questions. Please do come along and join us. It's a great opportunity to meet other parents. This is for parents only.

Welcome Evening – Monday 18th July 2022 6pm start (NB: this may be a virtual event).

There will be an address by the Headteacher at 6pm and other key members of staff.



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Year 7 Induction Day – Friday 2nd September 2022

The first day of term **on 2nd September** will be an induction day for Year 7 students and their Year 11 mentors only. This will allow our new students to have the school to themselves in order to familiarise themselves with the layout of the site and our daily routines a day before all the other students return. During this day our Year 7 students may also take their Cognitive Ability Tests (CATs) and may be logged onto the school ICT network and given their email address. Further details of the day will be provided for you at the **Welcome Evening on Monday 18 July**.

School Uniform

On our website is a copy of our uniform requirements. There is also a link to the Trutex website in the Admissions section on our website. Your uniform will then be sent direct to your home. It is guaranteed to arrive before the Autumn terms starts. Alternatively, you can visit the Trutex shop in Didcot – 'Trutex Schoolwear and More' – details of which can also be found on our website.

Tutor Groups

When your child starts at Langtree in September, he/she will be placed in to a tutor group. Students remain in this group for five years and the tutor will be responsible for your child's general welfare in school.

To help our grouping, I would be grateful if you could complete the attached 'Taster Day Information' form to indicate up to four friends with whom your child would be happy to be grouped with ***if and where possible***.

Personal information

It is obviously important that we have accurate details of all of our incoming students. **Please ensure that you fully complete the Student Enrolment, Taster Day, Cashless Catering and Attendance Policy Forms** and any other 'optional' forms that may be applicable to your child. Also, if your child suffers from a medical condition that requires medicine to be kept in school, for example: inhaler, EPIPEN, migraine tablets etc., please contact the school office.

Dates for your diary

Wednesday 25 May 2022}

Tuesday 7 June 2022} Parents' Transition Workshops

Monday 13 June 2022}

Thursday 30 June 2022 'Singles' Transition Event

Tuesday 5 July 2022 Taster Day

***To be decided* Parents' Coffee Morning**

Monday 18 July 2022 Welcome Evening –Event for all parents and students

Friday 2 Sept 2022 Term Starts (Year 7's only)

We very much look forward to welcoming your child to Langtree on Friday **2nd September 2022**. If you have any questions in the meantime, do not hesitate to contact me at the school, or please find all relevant information on our website at **www.langtreeschool.com**

Yours sincerely

Bev Belcher

Mrs Bev Belcher

Head of Years 7 and 8 and Transition