# **Court Fields School**

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Dear Parents/Carers,

We are very pleased to confirm that arrangements are now well underway for year 6 students to join us at Court Fields School at the start of next term.

At this time, children can feel a mixture of emotions — excitement at the prospect of new opportunities, anxiety 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. This is entirely normal, and what we see each year. We know how important the transition process is in ensuring that students feel confident and happy about their next steps.

The Prime Minster announced on Monday 14<sup>th</sup> June that stage 4 of the Government's Roadmap would be delayed. This has meant we are unable to offer the full two day transition for students prior to September, due to the restrictions on crossing 'bubbles'.

However, due to the importance of effective transition for our students, we have adapted our offer, which will mean that students have a half day transition, in bubbles, before the Summer Holiday, and 2 full days at the start of the Autumn Term prior to the main school returning.

#### Half Day Welcome Day Arrangements

Students will attend Court Fields for a half-day transition in their class bubbles. Below is the plan for students as per their school. Please note, if your child is not being collected by their school please ensure they return the walking/collection consent form included in this letter. We will not allow students to walk home unless permission is given. All students are expected in their primary schools in the AM or PM depending on their given time at Court Fields.

Tuesday 6th July	Wednesday 7 <sup>th</sup> July
Stawley / Oake / Langford Budville / Out of	Wellesley Park
area	2 classes needed
Arrive 9:00	Arrive 9:00
Depart: 12:00	Depart: 12:00













Parents/Carers need to arrange drop off and collection.	Parents/Carers need to arrange drop off. The school will collect and return to school.	
St Johns	Milverton / West Buckland / Sampford	
Arrive: 9:15	Arundel	
Depart: 12:15	Arrive: 12:40	
	Depart: 3:10	
The school will bring students to us and		
collect at the end.	Parents/Carers need to arrange drop off and collection.	
Beech Grove 2 classes needed	Rockwell Green	
Arrive: 12:35	Arrive: 12:35	
Depart: 3:10	Depart: 3:10	
Parents & Carers need to arrange collection.	Parents & Carers need to arrange collection.	
The school will drop off at the start of the	The school will drop off at the start of the	
session.	session.	

During the sessions, students will get to know more about the school, be introduced to staff (in person and via video) and meet our Transition Leaders, via a pre-recorded video. This session is designed for students to see the school site, learn more about what life at Court Fields is like and relieve any worries pre-September. Students will be informed of their Tutor Group and House allocation on this day.

## Year 6 Parents/Carers Meeting – Wednesday 7th July

Once again, due to the Government announcement, we are unable to host the Parent/Carer Meeting as we normally would. We have set up an alternative plan as per below. We are only able to accommodate 1 parent/carer at the meeting to ensure we adhere to social distancing and we will require those attending to wear a mask, unless exempt. Unfortunately, children will not be able to attend the Parent/Carer Meeting due to Covid restrictions on numbers.

The meeting will provide essential information about our transition, the September start arrangements and life at Court Fields for your child. You will meet key staff who will be supporting your child during their time at the school.

Please do ensure that you attend, even if you have older children at the school, as we will be updating you on general updated information, as well as Covid contingency plans for September (should we need to put them in place). Please arrive via the side gate in the lane that runs along the school site and make your way to the hall.

Day	6:00pm	6:45pm	7:25pm
Tuesday 6 <sup>th</sup> July	Stawley / Oake /	Beech Grove	Beech Grove
	Langford/EHE & Out	(Surname A-M)	(Surname N-Z)
	of Area students		
Wednesday 7 <sup>th</sup> July	Wellesley Park	Wellesley Park	Rockwell Green
	(Surname A-M)	(Surname N-Z)	

Thursday 8th July	Milverton / West	St Johns	
	Buckland / Sampford		

## **September Transition Days**

Further to this, we will offer two full days of transition at the start of September prior to the rest of the school returning. These days will take place on the 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> September, as we will have only Year 7 students and staff onsite, so that our new Year 7 students have a full and focussed transition.

#### School Uniform and PE Kit

All uniform is available to purchase from Somerset School Wear (formerly Taunton Uniforms) in East Reach, Taunton or online – <a href="https://www.swschoolwear.co.uk/">https://www.swschoolwear.co.uk/</a> Blazers, jumpers and ties are also available from <a href="https://www.trutexdirect.com">www.trutexdirect.com</a>.

School uniform MUST BE named and we recommend that you use woven nametapes in all school clothing, or a permanent marker pen.

#### **Dictionaries and Calculators**

We are recommending to parents/carers that all students entering Year 7 should have their own copies of The Oxford School French Dictionary and English Dictionary. These will be on sale from Somerset School Wear at a special price of £10.00 for both.

Our school's Maths Department recommend that all students have the same calculator and these will be on sale for £8.40 in the first week of September.

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

Included with this letter is a Welcome & Information Pack. We request students bring these along completed on their transition day in July so we can complete all the admin updates ready for the September start. Staff will collect these from students.

The new term for Year 7 students starts on Monday 6th September from 8.40am – 3.00pm. School buses will be running at the normal time for students who require school transport.

I look forward to meeting you in July.

Yours sincerely

Mrs S Westwood

Assistant Head of Pastoral