



Wednesday 21st June 2025

'Y4 to Y5'



Dear Parents / Carers,

The weather has been really warm this week – hopefully it will be a little cooler for 'induction day'.

The class lists have been completed!

The plan is that I will deliver the letters to all main feeder schools on **Monday**. This is so that they can all be handed out at the same time. If your child does not attend a main feeder school, they will either be posted or given to an older sibling to be hand delivered. If needed please just get in touch and I will email an electronic version of the letter.

Our house names are: **Ash, Beech, Cedar** and **Oak**.

Parents Evening – Thursday July 3rd at 5pm. (School Hall.)

It should last about an hour and will provide a useful 'orientation' about life at Parkfields. This will include, uniform, homework, setting, clubs, expectations and other relevant information. Also a chance to meet the Year 5 team. The meeting is designed for **parents and carers** and **not** the children. If you do bring your child due to childcare needs that is absolutely fine. (Although they may get a little bored!)

Induction day – Tuesday July 8th

The day will run from 8.45am to 3.00pm

Drop off and collection

The children should arrive around 8.45am onwards. Front reception.

8.45am St Georges

8.50am Harlington, Westoning children

8.55am Chalton, Eversholt children and 'Singleton' children arrive.

(Please do **not** drive into the school car park.)

There will be a signing in station near reception and the children will then be escorted to the playground to meet their new teacher and classmates. The back

gate will **also** be open and parents are asked to walk their child around to the front of the school to sign them in. There will also be several Year 8 students and staff around to help guide children and parents to the correct place.

Collection by parents/carers at front of school.

Ash – 2.45pm

Beech – 2.50pm

Cedar – 2.55pm

Oak – 3.00pm

What will be happening?

The day is devoted to helping your child become more familiar with the school and their new class. The children will be experiencing a variety of activities including Science and Technology taster lessons as well as a sporting activity and a Music concert during a 'welcome' assembly.

Usually, the children feel reassured and a lot less nervous after the day. Please remind them about the importance of trying to make new friends as well.

STARTER FORMS EMAILED – Last week I emailed the 'starter form' letter with links. (Re-attached if needed.) If there are additional needs you need to make us aware of, please do not hesitate to let me know. If there is any medication that has to be taken during 'Induction Day', then please bring it with you on Tuesday 8th July in a labelled container/bag and I will collect it in as you sign in your child.

The children should come in their current school uniform and bring with them:

- Trainers (for the sporting activity).
- A hat if the weather is warm (hopefully!)
- Water bottle
- A smile!

School Lunch and a Breatime Snack

If your child would like to try a school meal or purchase a break time snack on Induction day I will be sending details the week before about costs and the menu. Children can also bring their own packed lunch and break time snack. (Nut free.)

Over the past few weeks, I have been speaking to the lower schools about each individual child, their needs, groups and any transition issues. I am also in the process of visiting all the schools for children from non-feeders. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any concerns or worries.

Uniform information – message form *Prestige*

Prestige have the online booking system again this year. They advise parents to book early, so we can fit everyone in, as the slots do become limited in late July & August.

These time slots can be booked online via our website, and appear on the school heading. It is now up and running and they can book there slot by following this link.

<https://app.acuityscheduling.com/schedule/f4f1b88e>

www.prestigedesignww.co.uk

Each time slot is 15 minutes and our staff will assist with the sizing. If they require more time or have two children they can be booked together.

We have found this system to work fantastically over the years and tends to mean less stress and hanging around for the Children & Adults.



Finally, please talk to your child about talking to other children on **Induction Day** and making friends. I have told many of the children when I visited them recently; *the children they meet on Induction Day might be friends for the rest of their life!*

Take care and have a pleasant weekend.

Steve Purdom

Head of Year 5

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