



## BEECHEN CLIFF

Friday 5<sup>th</sup> May 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

### **New Year 7 Parents/Carers - Dates for your Diary and further information**

Further to our initial Welcome Letter which was sent on Friday 17<sup>th</sup> March 2022, I would like to provide you with more information on the transition process and make you aware of some important upcoming dates.

Beginning at the start of June, Ms Milland, Head of Year 7 Transition, will be speaking with all Year 6 teachers and visiting as many feeder schools as possible. In addition there are also a number of important events to be aware of:

#### **Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> June 2023: Cognitive Ability Assessments (CATs) and Reading Assessments**

All pupils complete CATs and NGRT Reading Assessments before starting at Beechen Cliff. Information from these assessments, along with information from primary schools and SAT results, helps us to build an academic profile for each pupil to enable us to teach them most effectively from the start of Year 7. The tests are completed on computers and involve multiple choice questions. There is no need to revise for these tests as they are not based on prior learning and many pupils quite enjoy completing them. More information is available on the attached sheet. Pupils should report to the Main Reception at Beechen Cliff at 8.30am, finishing at 12pm, (Surnames A-J) or at 1.00pm, finishing at 4.30pm (Surnames K-Z). They should wear their primary school uniform. The assessment will take around 3 hours, which includes time for a break in the middle with refreshments and play time.

#### **Monday 26<sup>th</sup> June 2023: New Parents Evening 6.00pm**

An opportunity for pupils and parents to hear from the Headteacher, receive further information about the transition process and key dates for the start of Year 7, and to meet with members of the Senior Leadership Team and the Pastoral Team. Information on House allocations will be provided during the evening.

#### **Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> July 2023: Year 6 Induction Day & CATs Catch-up (for those that cannot attend on 17th June)**

This is an opportunity for pupils to visit the school, take part in taster lessons and become familiar with the school site. Pupils should wear their primary school uniform and bring a pair of trainers with them for a sports activity. They should report to the Main Reception by

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9.00am. Collection will be at 3.00pm. The CATs catch-up slot will take place from 3.30pm - 6.15pm.

**Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> July 2023: Scholars Uniform Day for Beechen Cliff 10.00am-2.00pm**

Bookings to be made through the Bath Shop on 01225 462206. Further information on uniform will be provided at the New Parents Evening and, in due course, on the school website.

**Admissions+**

You will soon receive an email with access information for your Admissions+ account. Admissions+ is a cloud-based admissions software that streamlines the admissions process for parents, students and schools. Once you receive your 'Welcome email' from Admissions+, we would appreciate your support in logging into your account and completing the transition forms at your earliest convenience.

If you have not already accepted the offer of a school place at Beechen Cliff School for your son, please do respond to the offer directly to Bath and North East Somerset Council.

We look forward to meeting you on these upcoming dates.

Yours sincerely,



Mr T D Markall  
Headteacher



Ms A Milland  
Head of Year 7 Transition