



BEECHEN CLIFF

11th May 2026

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

Dear Parents and Carers,

Further to our initial Welcome Letter which was sent in March, 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. Mrs Blair, SENDCo, will also be speaking to Year 6 SENDCos regarding any special educational needs.

There are a number of important events to be aware of:

Saturday 13th June 2026: Cognitive Ability Assessments (CATs) and Reading Assessments

All pupils complete CATs Reading Assessments and a short handwriting task before starting at Beechen Cliff School. 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, as well as identify any pupils in need of support. The CATs 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. Readers are not needed as the computer reads to the pupils. Extra time is not given due to the standardised nature of the tests. Please find more information [here](#).

Pupils with surnames A-L should report to Beechen Cliff Main reception at 8.30am and will finish at 12pm.

Pupils with surnames M-Z should report to Beechen Cliff Main reception at 1.00pm and will finish at 4.30pm.

All pupils should wear their primary school uniform and bring headphones with a standard connection so that they can be plugged into a computer. Spares will be available for those who do not have headphones. The assessment will take around 3 hours, which includes time for a break in the middle with a treasure hunt round the school, refreshments and play time.

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Wednesday 24th June 2026: New Parents Evening 6.00pm and PTA Second-hand uniform sale

This is 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.

Thursday 2nd July 2026: Year 6 Induction Day & CATs Catch-up (for those that cannot attend on 13th 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 for a 9.00am start. Collection will be at 3.00pm. Lunch will be provided.

The CATs catch-up slot will take place during the Induction Day for those who missed the session on 13th June.

Sunday 5th July 2026: Scholars Uniform Day for Beechen Cliff 10.00am-2.00pm

Bookings should be made through the Scholars 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 should have now received an email with access information for your Admissions+ account. We 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 your Local Authority. If you require any further assistance please contact Millie Garland, Admissions Manager directly via mgarland@beechencliff.mnsp.org.uk.

We look forward to meeting you on these upcoming dates.

Yours sincerely,



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Headteacher



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