



## BEECHEN CLIFF

4<sup>th</sup> June 2026

Dear Parents/Carers,

### Upcoming Dates

As we approach some of the New Year 7 transition events, please see below for more information and a reminder about these dates:

- **Saturday 13th June 2026:** Cognitive Ability Assessments (CATs) and Access Reading Tests (ART)
- **Wednesday 24th June 2026:** New Parent's Evening 6.00pm
- **Thursday 2nd July 2026:** Year 6 Induction Day
- **Sunday 5th July 2026:** Scholar's Uniform Day (10.00am-2.00pm)

We would appreciate your support in completing a Google Form to confirm your son's attendance to the events referred to above and to provide details regarding friendship groups. Find the form [here](#).

### Cognitive Ability Assessments (CATs), Reading and Writing Assessments

Pupils are invited to participate in a morning or afternoon testing session. Please note that no preparation is required for these tests. Tests are taken on computers and all instructions are read aloud in addition to being written on the screen. As such, pupils who may have accessed a reader in their SATs will not require this for these tests. These are timed tests and as such extra time is not given. The form above allows you to note any needs your child may have. **Please can we ask that your son brings a pair of regular, plug in headphones. We have a stock of spares for those who are unable to bring these or who forget.** More information about the CATs can be found [here](#). A short break is given during the CATs with refreshments provided (water and a flapjack). We ask you to note any dietary requirements on the form above. Pupils are asked to wear the uniform of their primary school for these tests.

- 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.

### New Parent's Evening

The evening will begin at 6pm in the Sports Hall. During the evening you will hear from the Headteacher and other key staff involved with the transition process. Information booklets about Year 7 transition will be provided at this event and will be made available on the website in due

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course. Pupils are welcome to attend. The PTA will also be running a second hand uniform sale after the presentation in the Sports Hall. Please can we ask that everybody driving to school when attending the New Parents Evening parks on the Lower Field. You can access the Lower Field via Greenway Lane. **There will be no parking available via the main entrance.**

### **Induction Day**

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, though pupils are welcome to bring a packed lunch should they prefer to do so. The CATs catch-up session will take place during the day for those that did not attend on 13th June.

### **Enhanced Transition for Pupils with Additional Learning Needs**

We recognise that the transition from primary school to secondary school can be a daunting prospect, particularly for any pupil with additional learning needs. To support pupils in this process we offer a number of additional visit days which all pupils with additional learning needs are invited to.

During these sessions pupils undertake a range of tasks which include tours of the school with older pupils, getting to know you games and activities with peers and question and answer sessions to learn more about how the school works on a day-to-day basis. If you would like your child to participate in one or more of the sessions please complete the Google Form below.

[Transition Support Google Form](#)

### **Year 7 Transition Webpage**

Further information on Year 7 transition and all correspondence sent out already to Parents and Carers can be found here on our Year 7 Transition Webpage -

<https://www.beechencliff.org.uk/new-year-7-transition-2/>

### **Welcome emails**

All parents and carers should have now received their 'Welcome email' from Applicaa. Please contact Millie Garland, Admissions Manager if you have any questions - [mgarland@beechencliff.mnsp.org.uk](mailto:mgarland@beechencliff.mnsp.org.uk).

Yours sincerely

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