

Dear Families,

Firstly, let me begin by introducing myself, my name is Mrs Cunningham and I am Year 7 Lead and Lead of Transition here at Benfield School. We are incredibly excited to meet you and your child and to welcome you all to our school community.

I am pleased to share some bespoke events with you as we approach the life changing milestone of our pupils making the transition from primary to secondary school.

At Benfield School, we are dedicated to providing comprehensive support and guidance throughout this process. We understand the importance of this significant life change and are committed to ensuring that it is as smooth and successful as possible for each and every family.

For some parents and carers we understand that Benfield may not have been your initial choice, but we want to assure you that Benfield nurtures an environment that encourages growth and development through the four pillars. Our pillars underpin our school vision *to be one community with a relentless ambition to grow leaders and inspire the extraordinary.*

Community with kindness
Leadership with integrity
Ambition through resilience
Excellence and pride

We would like to invite you and your child to share some Benfield School experiences that make Benfield a great choice for your secondary education.

20th March Open Evening 5pm - 6pm

This is a repeat Open Evening event where you will meet Mr. Martin and have the opportunity to have a tour of the school. You will also have the opportunity to speak to Benfield pupils and teachers.

27th March Transition taster session 3.45pm - 4.45pm

25th April Transition taster sessions 3.45pm - 4.45pm

23rd May Transition taster sessions 3.45pm - 4.45pm

In our efforts to facilitate a seamless transition, we have identified several key opportunities that will allow us to collaborate closely with both students and parents:

Transition Support Teams: Our dedicated transition support teams, from both primary and secondary schools, will work collaboratively to develop personalised transition plans for each student. These teams will identify individual needs, address potential challenges, and implement strategies to ensure a smooth transition.

Enhanced SEN Transition: Identified students will be invited into Benfield School throughout June to support their transition into secondary.

Transition days for all pupils: 8th and 9th July.

We believe that by actively engaging in these transition opportunities, we can collectively support our students in their successful transition to secondary school. We are committed to working closely with both parents and students to ensure a positive and enriching experience for all.

Should you wish for further information about the NEAT Academy Trust, we are holding a NEAT celebration event at Walker Activity Dome on Tuesday 12th March 1pm - 5pm, where you can join us in celebrating our outstanding students. The Benfield transition team will also be available to talk to.

Thank you for your continued trust and partnership as we embark on this journey together. Should you have any questions or require further information, please do not hesitate to contact us using the dedicated transition email address: benfield.transitions@neatat.org.uk

Yours faithfully,

Mrs F Cunningham
Year 7 and Transition Lead



Please hand back to your child's Y6 class teacher

Name _____ School _____

I will be attending the open evening on March 20th

Yes No

I will be attending the taster session on 27th March

Yes No

Please pick one:

- Art
- Music
- Sports