



THE BISHOPSWOOD SCHOOLS FEDERATION

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Dear Parents,

Transfer to Bishopswood Junior School - September 2021

We are extremely pleased that your child will be joining the Junior School in September and are continuing their schooling at Bishopswood. We are writing to provide information regarding the arrangements we have made to support your child in their move to the Junior School.

Thank you for accepting your place. If you have not yet done this, there is more information and contact details for the admissions team on this website:

<https://www.hants.gov.uk/educationandlearning/admissions/applicationprocess/year3>

As a Federation we share many of the same approaches and practices and work together in close liaison. During the summer term, the Infant and Junior schools organise a programme of transition to ensure continuity and progression for the children who move to the Junior School in September.

Transition Activities

As I'm sure you can appreciate, transition events are still impacted by the pandemic, although not as much as last year. Despite this, we still feel it is important that your child is confident and happy about the move to the Junior School and therefore the following transition activities are planned:

- **Year 2 and Year 3 Teachers meet to discuss the pupils.**

We understand the importance of sharing information for transition so teachers will still be in contact via face-to-face and virtual meetings where appropriate to share key information about all children.

- **Year 3 Teachers share stories.**

When we have finalised staffing, the children's new teachers will share a story with the children and some information about themselves.

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- **Year 2 children visit the Juniors**

This is obviously dependent on government restrictions. We are fortunate that as we work together so closely the children have been coming across to the juniors to use the library and for varying events for some time. In terms of the children getting to know their classrooms, if they are still unable to come over to the juniors, we will create a 'virtual tour' for them to see the year 3 classrooms and outdoor area more closely as well as photos and reminders about other things the junior school has to offer.

- **Welcome Meeting**

Due to ongoing restrictions, we have needed to adapt how we conduct this meeting. As we did last year, we will be erecting a marquee on the school field to facilitate many of our transition activities which we can't hold indoors. The 'Welcome Meeting' is one of them. After half term we will send you details regarding dates for these meetings when we will share key information regarding everything you need to know about life at the Junior School.

We are all looking forward to welcoming your child to our school and beginning what will hopefully be a positive and successful partnership with you and your child.

In the meantime, if you have any questions about transition do not hesitate to be in contact.

Yours sincerely,

Mr Glen Golding
Executive Headteacher

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