



3 June 2025

Dear Families

Year 7 Transition 2025

I would like to inform you of our Year 7 Transition Programme which will take place from **Monday 30 June to Wednesday 2 July 2025**. This carefully structured package is designed to support all incoming pupils in acclimatising to the academic expectations, behavioural standards, and culture of The Dukeries Academy.

At The Dukeries Academy we live our values of Integrity, Ambition and Excellence and your child will spend time with us over the course of three days learning about who we are, what we do and why we do it. Much of this will focus onto your child's induction into The Bridge, where Year 7 are based, and will support them with understanding new routines.

Pupils will engage in a comprehensive programme including academic taster sessions, full lessons, culture briefings, tours of the school site, and introductions to pastoral and academic staff. Transition will culminate in a celebration afternoon. There will also be an **Information for Families Presentation** from the Principal taking place at 5pm, where you will receive more information about our school, how we can work together, expectations and logistics for September. There will be plenty of time for you to ask questions and have these answered.

Punctuality, appropriate uniform as worn at Primary school, and respectful conduct will be expected. Our Transition Programme will help guide and support all pupils to rise to the high standards expected of one of our pupils from their very first day.

This is also an opportunity for us to begin building strong home-school partnerships. We are in this together and I am determined to build excellent partnerships with all our families so that the children in our community can thrive and meet the high standards we set for them.

Pupils should arrive on site each day no later than 8.40am. They will be dismissed at the end of each day at 3.00pm.

All Year 6 pupils will be able to use our existing bus services for the week without a bus pass. A member of the Senior Leadership Team will travel on each bus to support students on the first day. Please use the following links to see bus timetables and information regarding ordering your bus pass for September.

Timetables: <https://www.nottinghamshire.gov.uk/transport/public-transport/school-bus-timetables>

NCC: <https://www.nottinghamshire.gov.uk/education/travel-to-schools>

On arrival, pupils should gather in the Year 7 Yard, at the back of the Sixth Form building, staff will be on hand to direct your child to their meeting point. They will be sorted into groups for the 3 days and will be met by members of our team.

You will also soon receive our Transition Booklet 2025-2026, which contains detailed information about starting in Year 7 this September, as well as a “Getting to Know Me” booklet we would like your child to complete and bring with them on 30 June.

We look forward to welcoming your child to The Dukeries Academy for their Transition experience.

Kind regards

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'M. Brett', with a stylized, cursive script.

Mr M Brett
Principal

