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Dear Parent and Carers

6 July 2026

We would like to remind you about the 2-day transition event next week. We look forward to welcoming your child to our school on Monday 13 and Tuesday 14 July 2026. We are likely to have warmer weather so please ensure they are dressed in comfortable PE kit and have plenty of fluids to stay hydrated.

As previously mentioned, they will participate in a range of lessons, complete CATs testing and experience what life is like at Stour Valley Community School ready for September.

Arrival and Collection Times:

- Students should arrive at 8:15am
- Students should be collected at 3:20pm

Please note that school transport will not be available on any of the transition days. Parents and carers are responsible for making suitable travel arrangements. Please do not arrive on site before 3:20pm as we need to ensure our school buses are able to leave the car park on time.

Meals and Snacks:

Day 1 (Monday 13 July): A free school lunch will be provided for all students for them to experience the choice of food our canteen offers. However, students need to bring a snack for break time as the canteen will not be accessible during this period.

Days 2 (Tuesday 14 July): Students will have access to the canteen at break and lunch times. If they would like to purchase any food or drink items, they must use cash. We would recommend they bring in small change to purchase any items.

Students should have a refillable water bottle each day; fizzy drinks are not allowed on the school site.

Dress Code:

Students should wear their Primary School PE kit on both days.



Required Equipment:

Students should bring basic school equipment each day, including pens, pencils, a ruler, and other necessary stationery. All equipment drinks and snacks should be carried in a bag.

If your child has medical needs, please ensure they bring any medications required eg Asthma inhaler.

Parents and Carers' Transition Information Evening:

On Monday 13 July at 6-7pm, we would like to invite all parent and carers to our transition information evening. During the presentation you will hear from the Headteacher and key pastoral staff. We will be discussing school expectations and how parents and carers can best support the transition to secondary school. We recommend that this is for parents and carers only and students do not need to attend.

Biometric Scanning:

In preparation for September, we will also be completing the biometric scans for your child to use the school canteen. This is to allow food to be purchased from the canteen as we are a cashless school. Further information on this can be found on *EduLink* with your welcome email.

School Uniform:

On the transition days we have a selection of school uniform samples that will be available for students to try on from 3:30pm. This fitting opportunity will be available on both days and will allow you to sample the various sizing of items. Our uniform suppliers, Price and Buckland recommend that all uniform purchases are completed by 1 August to arrive ready for September.

Transition Video

On our school website, our Year 6 transition video remains online to show an insight on what to expect. This has been created by our current Year 7 pupils who share an insight into the two days and their experiences. You can find the video by following the link:

[Year 6 Transition - Stour Valley Community School](#)

We look forward to welcoming your child next week and supporting them through this important transition.

Yours faithfully

Mrs A Jamieson - Assistant Headteacher and DSL

