

# Bishop Luffa School

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Dear Parents and Carers,

# **Transition Tuesdays 2023 – Week 7**

This will be our last Transition Tuesday before the summer holiday, so we have included some additional resources that you may find helpful over the longer break, as well as an update on some key events and dates.

#### **Year 7 Induction Day**

Their first official day will be Monday 4<sup>th</sup> September, and the Year 7 Induction Day. I will write to you all again shortly before we return in September with more details, but I can confirm that the day will start at 8:05am and end at 2:30pm. We have arranged to only have Year 7 and 12 students on site, which will give your child plenty of space on their first day as fully fledged Bishop Luffa students! Our catering company, Chartwells, will also be providing lunch for free, to welcome our new students.

# **Year 6 Induction Day**

We hope all the students enjoyed their visit at the start of July. As promised, we have added some photos to the website.

#### **Year 7 Residential**

We hope that as many of your children as possible are able to attend the residential. It is always a highlight of the year, with lifelong memories created. We will write to you again in September with more details, but can confirm the following dates:

- Monday 9<sup>th</sup> Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> October Andrewes and Burrows
- Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> Friday 13<sup>th</sup> October King and Otter
- Monday 16<sup>th</sup> Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> October Ridgeway and Sherborne
- Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> Friday 20<sup>th</sup> October Story and Wilson

This will be an activity packed three days away for the students, and an opportunity to really get to know the rest of their Tutor Group, Paired House, Head of House and Form Tutor. The cost is expected to be approximately £180 per student. If finance is an issue please contact us, in confidence, at <a href="mailto:finance@bishopluffa.org.uk">finance@bishopluffa.org.uk</a>.

# **PFA Uniform Shop**

Our advice about uniform and equipment is to put your name on everything. Most items will make their way home, provided we know who they belong to! Growth-spurts, coupled with a lack of organization / care, can mean items sometimes need replacing. If you would like to purchase school uniform from the PFA Secondhand Uniform Shop, this will be open on Thursday 10th August from 10.00am until 12noon.

If you are unable to visit at this time, please email Mrs Nicky Christopher, Head Teacher's PA at christophern@bishopluffa.org.uk or Mrs Sarah Gleeson at gleesons@bishopluffa.org.uk who will be able to arrange a separate appointment for you to come in, (subject to staff being available in school).

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## **Year 6 House Points Competition**

Thank you to everyone that responded to the opportunities to earn points for your House. There have been some impressive individual student scores, and despite a late surge this week by Ridgeway House, Burrows have held them off to win this year's competition. Mrs Bagdoniene will be delighted – we all know how much she loves to win!

There will be plenty of opportunities for the other Houses to challenge for interhouse glory, when we get started next term.

Position	House	Points
1	Burrows	30
2	Ridgeway	25
3	Andrewes	20
4	Story	17
5	King	16
6	Wilson	13
7	Otter	12
8	Sherborne	8

### **Early Help**



The Schools' Team Support Worker, Joanne Rawlinson is available to offer advice on how to support your child before they start with us in September. Joanne will be available at the Chichester Family Hub, St James' Road, Chichester, PO19 7AB on the following dates:

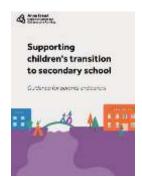
- Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> August 10am-2pm
- Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> August 10am-2pm
- Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> August 12-4pm
- Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> August 9am-1pm

To book a half hour slot on one of the days, please call on 07885 819869 or email <a href="mailto:joanne.rawlinson@westsussex.gov.uk">joanne.rawlinson@westsussex.gov.uk</a>

#### **Guidance for Parents and Carers**

We have previously shared some advice from YoungMinds about how to support your child through the transition from primary to secondary school. We would also recommend the resources from Anna Freud. They have produced a short guide which includes practical advice, as well as suggested resources that children and parents and carers may find useful.

 $\frac{https://www.annafreud.org/media/13817/supporting-children-through-secondary-transition-final.pdf}{}$ 



Thank you for taking the time to read and respond to our weekly transition letters. I hope you have found them useful, and they have helped you and your child to feel ready for September. We wish you and your family all the very best for a safe and restful summer.

Warm regards,

**Neil Topley** 

Assistant Headteacher