

## Welcome to Burton Borough School

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PRE TRANSITION PROGRAMME Session 1: Meet Your Tutor Tuesday 10th June Arrive from 3.50pm	Year 6 Students	New Hall Entrance
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PRE TRANSITION PROGRAMME Session 2: Science Lesson Tuesday 17th June Arrive from 3.50pm	Year 6 Students	New Hall Entrance
PRE TRANSITION PROGRAMME Session 2: Depart. Meet & Greet Tuesday 17th June Doors will reopen at 4.10pm	Parents/ Carers of Year 6 Students	New Hall Entrance
PRE TRANSITION PROGRAMME Session 3: Time Capsule Craft Session Tuesday 24th June Arrive from 3.50pm	Year 6 Students	New Hall Entrance
PRE TRANSITION PROGRAMME Session 4: Inter Tutor Rounders & Picnic Tuesday 1st July Arrive from 3.50pm	Year 6 Students	New Hall Entrance
TRANSITION DAYS Monday 7th & Tuesday 8th July	Year 6 Students	New Hall Entrance
TRANSITION EVENING Tuesday 8th July	Year 6 Students, Parents & Carers	New Hall Entrance

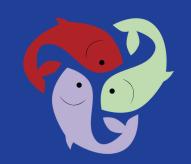
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## Getting Started Let's confirm your details...

The following forms are designed to collect **important information** about you and your child to **support** our transition team throughout the programme. This information will be shared with **relevant departments** within the school, including the **first aid team**, **catering team**, and **administrative teams**, to ensure a seamless transition before **September 2025**. For further details on how your personal information is stored, please visit our **school website** and review our **data protection policy**.

Please **click** on the **Forms below** to access each survey. We appreciate you taking the time to provide this information.





#### TUTOR & HOUSE ALLOCATION

We will be in touch before the pre-transition programme to notify you of your child's house -Aqualate, Chetwynd, or Hawkstone, and tutor allocation.



#### CONNECT WITH US

Find us on Facebook and Instagram to keep up to date with everything BBS! @burtonborough



#### ABSENCE REPORTING TRANSITION DAYS

Please notify us the morning of both transition days should your child not be able to attend.

## **Proud at BBS** Message from our Principal Welcome to BBS, soon-to-be Year 7!

As Principal of **Burton Borough School**, I am absolutely thrilled to extend the **warmest** of **welcomes** to you! Receiving this booklet means you are about to embark on an exciting **new adventure** with us, and we couldn't be happier to have you join our **wonderful school family**.

We know that starting a **new school** is a **big step**, filled with **anticipation** and maybe a few **butterflies**. But please know that you are coming to a place where you will be **valued**, **supported**, and **celebrated** for who you are. We are a **community** built on **kindness**, **respect**, and a genuine **love for learning**.

At **Burton Borough** we hold **three core values** close to our hearts: **ambitious**, **proud**, and **caring**. These values are the guiding **principles** that shape everything we do, and we hope they will inspire you throughout your time with us.

Ambitious: We want you to be ambitious in your learning, to challenge yourself, and to discover your unique talents. We will provide you with the tools and encouragement you need to reach for the stars and achieve your full potential.

**Proud:** We want you to be **proud** of your efforts, your **achievements**, and the person you are. We celebrate **diversity** and **individuality**, and we encourage you to embrace your **strengths** and learn from your **experiences**.

Caring: We believe in the importance of kindness, empathy, and respect. We are a caring community where everyone looks out for one another. We want you to feel safe, supported, and valued, and we encourage you to show kindness to your classmates and teachers.



We are so **excited** to get to know each and every one of you. We are confident that you will thrive in our **supportive** and **stimulating** environment. Get ready to **learn**, **grow**, and **create lasting memories**.

We look forward to welcoming you to our school community soon.

Mrs Bedford Principal

# Our BBS Community Ambitious. Proud. Caring.





Our school's logo, featuring three fish, symbolises Newport's rich heritage as a historic fishing hub surrounded by fertile wetlands. It reflects the deep connection between our school and the local community. Burton Borough School is named after J.S. Burton Borough, our first Governor, who also served as High Sheriff and Deputy Lieutenant of Shropshire. Born in Chetwynd, he is honoured through one of our school houses. Our other houses are Hawkstone and Aqualate, which are named after local landmarks.

At Burton Borough, we don't just strive for excellence in academics; we hold ourselves to the highest standards of personal integrity and conduct. Our core values guide everything we do —shaping how we interact, approach our studies, and foster a positive and inspiring environment for all. We encourage every student to take pride in embracing these values, earning culture points that celebrate their achievements.

**Burton Borough** is a community built on **inclusivity** and **respect**, where each individual is celebrated and **PROUD** to be part of our journey. With a strong foundation of **CARE** and **AMBITION**, we inspire every student to **reach new heights**, **surpass expectations**, and **unlock their full potential**.

## Here at BBS, we have high expectations because:

#### Every student matters. Learning matters.

Everyone deserves an environment where they can achieve their best.

It enables teachers and support staff to teach and support your child's learning.

# Secondary Transition 2025 Meet our Transition Team



We know that choosing a **secondary school** is a **huge decision** for your family. We **pride** ourselves on our **comprehensive transition programme**, which will give your child many **opportunities** to get to know our **staff**, **each other** and the **school**. The **year 7 team** work tirelessly to make sure that your child and you are fully **ready for the move** to secondary and all your **questions have been answered**.



My name is **Mrs Heins** and I am the **Assistant Head** responsible for **secondary transition** at the **Burton Borough School**. We are really excited to have you start at our school in **September**. We have got lots of different **activities** that we have planned for you so you can **settle in** really well and have a **positive start to your journey** here at the **Burton Borough School**. We are **committed** to ensuring you feel **supported** and **confident** as you take this **exciting next step!** 

My name is **Mrs Edge** and I am your **Head of Year**. We are thrilled to welcome you to our **Burton Borough School community**. Starting secondary school can feel like a **big step** but we want to reassure you that you are **not alone**. Our entire school community from **teachers** and **support staff** to current students are all here to help you make a **smooth transition**. We can't wait for you to join us on what we know will be an **incredible educational journey** with **new experiences**, **challenges**, and most importantly **FUN**!





My name is Miss Hicks, and as the Student Services Administrator I am responsible for supporting with 'all things' transition at the Burton Borough School. My role is to ensure you feel welcomed, supported, and fully prepared for the exciting journey ahead. Together, we'll make your transition to secondary school seamless, positive, and full of opportunities for growth. I'm really looking forward to meeting each of you and supporting you as you thrive within our vibrant school community!

# Secondary Transition 2025 Pre-Transition Programme



We're excited to **welcome** students to our **Pre-Transition Programme**, a series of **after-school sessions** designed to ease the move to **secondary school**. These sessions will take place on **Tuesdays from 4-5pm**, with the dates listed below:

#### Session 1 – June 10th:

#### **Meet Your Tutor & Parent Meet and Greet**

Our first session will kick off with a warm welcome! Students will enter the main hall, where they'll meet their tutor and peers in their assigned groups. After a brief introduction from Mrs Bedford and the transition team, students will head to their tutor group classrooms. Around 4:10pm, parents/carers will join us for a welcome presentation from Mrs. Bedford and the transition team, followed by the chance to meet other parents and ask any questions before being reunited with the students.

#### Session 2 – June 17th:

#### **Science Lesson and Parent Department Meet and Greet**

In this session, students will enjoy a **science lesson** in the **new build**, while parents are invited to join a **departmental presentation**. The format will be similar to **Session 1**, with a brief welcome in the **main hall** before heading to their lesson. Parents will join us around **4:10pm** for the presentation.

#### Session 3 – June 24th:

#### 'Time Capsule' Themed Craft Session

This will be a **fun**, **student-only** session. After a brief welcome from the transition team, students will enjoy a **creative craft session** with their peers.

#### Session 4 – July 1st:

#### **Inter-Tutor Rounders and Picnic**

To wrap up the **Pre-Transition Programme**, students will engage in a friendly **rounders competition** between **tutor groups**. We'll finish the session with a **picnic**, celebrating the final event before the **official transition days!** 

Please refer to the <u>'Getting Started Forms'</u> to ensure we have all necessary details, such as **parental consent for photos/videos**, as well as any **medical** or **dietary information**. It's essential we have this information to ensure your child's participation in these events. Thank you.

# Secondary Transition 2025 Transition Days



## Monday 7th July & Tuesday 8th July

Our Transition Days are designed to give students a real experience of a typical day at Burton Borough School. These days will include a warm welcome, tutor activities, and a variety of lessons such as PE, Humanities, Science, DT, and English. Students will also experience break times, lunch, and end-of-day assemblies, all designed to help them feel comfortable and confident in their new environment.

## Please note that the schedule for both days will be confirmed in advance, and a letter with further details will be sent to you before the transition days.

Students should arrive in their primary school uniform by 8.50am and go to the entrance of the New Hall (next to reception), where our Year 7 team will be ready to greet them. For 7th July, lunch will be provided, but for 8th July, students should bring their own packed lunch. We also recommend that students bring snacks for break times and a refillable water bottle for both days. On days where PE is scheduled, please ensure your child brings their full school PE kit.



## 8th July - Transition Evening

In the evening of 8th July, we will invite all parents/carers and students to attend our Transition Evening. This will be an opportunity to reflect on the transition activities and hear a final message from the team before your child officially joins Burton Borough as a fully-fledged student in September. We look forward to seeing you there!

# Secondary Transition 2025 Safeguarding



### At BBS, Safeguarding is Everyone's Responsibility

**Burton Borough School** is **fully committed** to **safeguarding** and promoting the **safety** and **welfare of all children**. We expect all **staff**, **volunteers**, and **visitors** to uphold this **commitment** and contribute to maintaining a **safe** and **supportive environment**.

As a school, we pride ourselves on the pastoral care and positive relationships that we have with our students. It is common for secondary school students to face personal challenges throughout their teenage years. We have a highly experienced team of staff who are here to support them. We are your extended family – and we are here to support you.

During the transition period, your child will be looked after by the transition team, tutors, and teaching staff, all of whom have received safeguarding training. Should any concerns arise, a member of the transition and/or safeguarding team will contact you to discuss the situation. Additionally, there will be first aiders and staff trained in diabetes on-site during these events. In the event of any concerns, a member of the transition team will reach out to you.



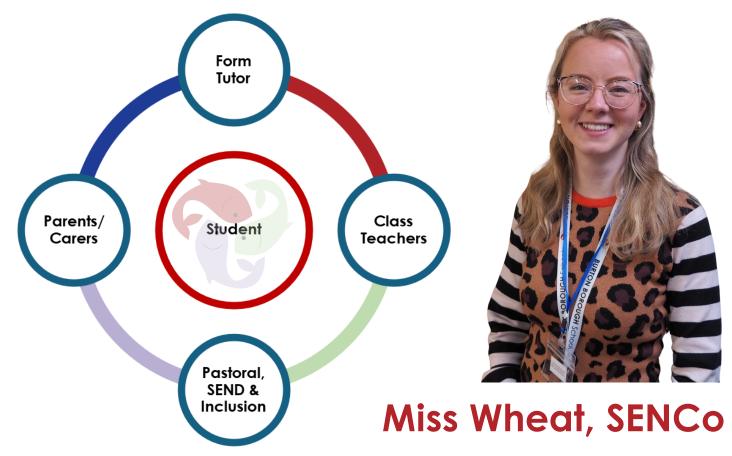
# Secondary Transition 2025 SEND & Inclusion



At **Burton Borough School**, caring for your child is our **shared responsibility**. Your child will receive **exceptional teaching** from trusted adults who foster **strong**, **positive relationships** with them.

We are **deeply ambitious** for all our students, providing them with the **knowledge**, **skills**, and **habits** necessary to thrive not only in school but also beyond it.

We take great pride in our 'Graduated Response', which adapts to the ever-evolving needs of our students. We ensure that identification of needs is timely, interventions are evidence-based, and the impact of these interventions is measurable.



Effective communication is at the heart of what we do. Staff, parents, and students are kept informed through frequent and high-quality interactions, as we believe coproduction is essential to success.

Additionally, we offer various **safe spaces** for students, where they can both **emotionally regulate** and **achieve academically** in a **supportive environment**.

# Looking Ahead for Sept 2025 Uniform

We believe that **uniform** is important as it fosters a **sense of personal pride** and helps students develop **good habits** that will serve them well into adult life. Our **school uniform** is stocked at <u>Mary's Tots and Teens in Newport</u> and <u>Bakers & Son in Wellington</u>.

For the **pre-transition session**, your child may wear **comfortable clothes**, their **primary school uniform**, or **their primary school PE kit**. For the **transition days**, we kindly ask your child wears their **primary school uniform** and brings their **primary school PE kit** should a PE session is scheduled for their tutor group. You **DO NOT** need to purchase **our school uniform** for **these events**. We have included a **uniform page** for **information purposes only**, as we understand parents/carers may wish to start preparing earlier than later.

## **Girls Blazer**

## White Shirt

Ties are black with coloured logos related to the house.

#### Skirt (or black trousers)

White Shirt

**Boys Blazer** 

Tie Year 11 Platinum Tie (Pictured)

Black Trousers

**Girls Black Smart Shoes** 

**Boys Black Smart Shoes** 

# Looking Ahead for Sept 2025 PE Uniform



A new style of **Unisex PE kit** was introduced last year, available from <u>Newport Sports</u>. This updated kit features a more **affordable price** and a **fresh**, **modern design**, ensuring that students are **comfortable** during their PE lessons.





If you have older children currently attending Burton Borough, please note that there is a one-year grace period for using the old style of PE kit. You are welcome to continue using the old style kit for the first year. However, if you are purchasing, we recommend the new kit for long-term affordability.

In addition, we will be hosting a **uniform drive** this **summer**, where parents and carers can select **donated items of uniform** and **PE kit free of charge**. Please note, this will be on a **firstcome**, **first-served basis**, with priority given to **pupil premium families** on the day. Further details about this event will be shared on our **social media platforms** nearer to the time.

From **September 2026**, the **new style PE kit**, as pictured here, will be the **only PE kit accepted**.

## Secondary Transition 2025 See you soon...



As your child transitions to **Burton Borough School**, we are committed to supporting them in becoming **ambitious**, proud, and **caring** individuals. We believe that every student has the **potential to excel**, and we are dedicated to providing a **nurturing environment** where they can **grow academically**, **personally**, **and socially**. We are excited to **witness their journey** as they develop the **skills**, **resilience**, **and confidence** needed to **succeed** both in **school** and **beyond**.



To help keep you informed throughout this process, we have sent our **welcome letter** via email, and this **booklet** contains **essential links and information**. We encourage you to regularly visit our <u>transition webpage</u> for updates, as well as follow us on **Instagram** (**@bbs.transition**) and **Facebook (@burtonborough)**. Additionally, our <u>Family Bulletins</u> will provide you with the latest news and important dates related to your child's transition.



Tutor and house allocation letters will be sent via email in the coming weeks. Please be assured that we are working diligently to ensure a smooth and supportive transition for all students.

We look forward to **welcoming you** and **your child** to our **school community**. Should you have any questions or require further information, please do not hesitate to contact our **transition team** at **sam.hicks@lct.education**.

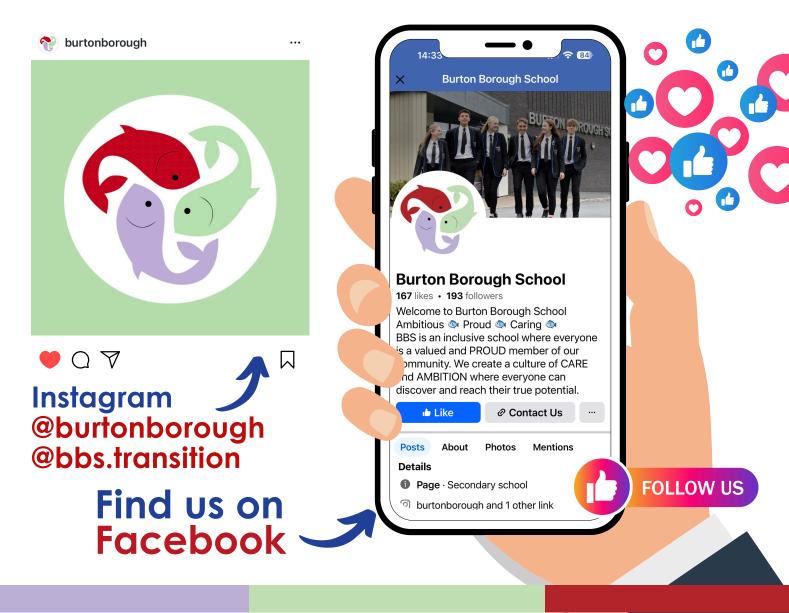
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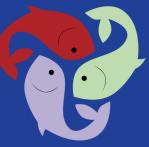
**Stay connected** with all the latest **news** and **updates** from BBS by visiting our **social media platforms**. Keep up-to-date with everything BBS and follow us to ensure you never miss out on the exciting things taking place within our **community!** 

Our **Facebook page** will be updated regularly throughout the week with information such as upcoming events, important information, and weather updates. Our main **Instagram account** will feature photos from main events that happen throughout the year. We maintain **official communications via email** and our **family bulletin** is posted onto our website weekly.

Please also keep up to date via our <u>transition webpage</u>. This page will be updated regularly with **documents**, **links**, and **key information** at the same time as our **email correspondence** with you. Should you think you have missed anything, please check this page before contacting the transition team.







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