



Monday 8th June 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

First, I would like to officially welcome you and your children to Beechwood Junior School. We are very much looking forward to meeting our new cohort and getting to know them individually ahead of their official start in September. We hope the children's time with us will be enjoyable, and they will develop and grow into knowledgeable, confident, and resilient young people.

Transition activities

To help them make a smooth and happy transition to our school, we have been working with Glenfield to create several opportunities for the children to visit and meet staff, so they feel less anxious about the change ahead. These are listed below.

When?	What?
Thursday 25 th June 2026	Y2 children to visit Beechwood with Glenfield staff from 9am to 11am.
Wednesday 1 st July 2026	City wide transition day
Thursday 2 nd July 2026	New Y3 'Meet the Teacher' event for parents at 4.15pm in the school hall. Please enter via the red doors at the front of school.
Thursday 9 th July 2026	Additional transition morning 9am-11am for small groups.
Monday 13 th July 2026	Additional transition morning 9am-11am for small groups.

Wednesday 1st July 2026

Please note that during the city-wide transition day on **Wednesday 1st July 2026** you will need to bring your children to Beechwood, with drop-off being at 8.40am. Please enter the school via the Glenfield Avenue entrance (see map) and wait outside the first red double doors on the left opposite the sports pitch. On this occasion, pick up at the end of the day is at 3.25pm in the same location for all three classes. Those children who attend breakfast and after school club will be brought to school and picked up by members of the Glenfield team.



Please take note of two things: **from September, our pickup time will be changing to 3:10 pm**, and at the end of the day Armstrong class should be collected from the other playground (see map).

Lunches

We have set up an online form so that you can order a lunch for your child on transition day- please see the link below. The deadline for completing this is **Tuesday 30th June at 5pm**. Please complete the form even if you are sending your child to school that day with a packed lunch.

<https://forms.cloud.microsoft/e/sH5jgYvdqU>.

Medications

If your child uses any medication e.g. an inhaler/EpiPen/cream, please bring this with you on Wednesday 1st July and take the item/items to the office. The medication will be returned at the end of the day.

Information and Paperwork

Following the transition day on **Wednesday 1st July 2026**, your child will be given an envelope which will contain all the relevant paperwork you need to fill in to enable us to register them as a pupil at our school. This will also contain permission forms and information regarding medical history and allergies etc. It is important this up-to-date information is returned to enable us to keep your children happy and safe.

Please complete the documentation and return to the office by **Wednesday 2nd September 2026** when your child starts with us. After this, their information will be transferred to our system, and you then be able to download and access the MCAS App which we use to communicate with parents as well as pay for lunches etc.

If you came for our tour earlier in the year, we gave you a copy of our current Parent Handbook. We are working on an updated version which we will be able to share with you in July. In it you will have all the up-to-date costings and information regarding uniform, lunches, after school provision etc.

Dates for your calendar

All term dates for the 26/27 school year can be found on the Southampton City Council website.

www.southampton.gov.uk/schools-learning/school-information/school-term-dates/school-year-calendar-2026-27

We will be shortly finalising dates for different events during the new academic year e.g. assemblies, parents' evenings etc and will send these to you. But to enable you to plan ahead we wanted to share our INSET dates for 26/27.

Tuesday 1st September 2026

Friday 23rd October 2026

Friday 18th December 2026

Friday 12th February 2027

Thursday 25th March 2027

Friday 28th May 2027

Friday 2nd July 2027



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If you have any additional questions, please don't hesitate to contact me. We are very much looking forward to you and your children joining the Beechwood Junior School community.

Kind Regards
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Deputy Head

