

Dear Parents and Carers,

Neale Wade Academy Transition Days 2025

With the end of the academic year fast approaching, it is almost time for Year 6 children to say goodbye to their primary school and begin preparing for life in Year 7. This transition from primary to secondary school is a key time in every pupil's school career and creating a smooth transition is vital to ensure your child gets the best possible start in their new school.

It is therefore very important that all Year 6 pupils get the opportunity to visit their new secondary schools before the end of the summer term in primary school so that they can experience their new surroundings, get a feeling for what life at secondary school will be like and familiarise themselves with the new routines and procedures of a significantly larger school.

The transition days school visit can really help allay some of the concerns that all children have when making this big step and provide reassurance for Year 6 pupils over the summer holidays.

This year, transition days at Neale Wade Academy will be held on Wednesday 9th and Thursday 10th July, with the evening of Thursday 10th July being a celebration of those days and a chance for parents to meet the tutors.

So, dates and times to remember:

- Wednesday 9th July at Neale Wade Academy (Students only) – 8.45am – 3pm
- Thursday 10th July at Neale Wade Academy (Students only) – 8.45am-3pm
- Thursday 10th July at Neale Wade Academy (Students and parents) – 5.30-7pm

The NWA transitions team will be coming into the Primaries to meet with the students and their teachers during the summer term, this will allow us to gain further information to make this transition as successful as possible. If you have any further concerns, please do not hesitate to contact either your child's current teacher or NWA if there is any additional information that you or your child need to ensure that they have a successful and safe transition days.

A great resource to support both parents and children with this new step should you want to do any preparation at home is Starting secondary school - BBC Bitesize.

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/groups/c5vpkq1l934t>

We look forward to meeting you and your children in July.

Yours faithfully,

Miss Newell – Transitions Lead

Miss Barlow – Head of Year 7

Mrs Hammond – Assistant Principal for SEND