



March 2023

To the Parent/Carer of

Dear Parent/Carer,

Further to my previous letter to your child, I now have pleasure in enclosing a Welcome Booklet, which contains all sorts of information about being a student at The Bourne Academy, which I hope you will enjoy reading.

Also enclosed, is a Student Information Record for you to complete, together with a Biometrics form, which will need to be completed and returned to the Academy **no later than Friday 16 June**. Your child will not be able to attend the on-site Transition Day if their completed Student Information Booklet has not been returned.

Year 6 Transition Day – Friday 30 June 2023

We are really looking forward to welcoming your child to The Bourne Academy on Friday 30 June for their Transition Day. It will be a very informative day and will give your child an insight into life as a Bourne Academy student.

Your child will be greeted by the Leadership Team and the Heads of House at 8:45am so it is important that they arrive in good time and wearing their primary school uniform. The day will finish at 2:45pm.

Your child will need:

- Their P.E. kit
- A pen, pencil, ruler and rubber
- To bring in money if they wish to buy snacks at break time, with an additional £2 to pay for their lunch, this will be a set meal for this day only.

Please note that if your child is in receipt of FSM then lunch will be provided. Alternatively, you may provide your child with your own snacks and refreshments.

Students will be told mid-June, by letter, which House they will be joining. Your child's Head of House will make contact with your child, by phone call or postcard, before Transition Day. Your child will have the opportunity to meet their Head of House on Transition Day.

Parent/Carer Transition Evening – Thursday 29 June

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Parents/Carers are welcome to attend, along with their child, on Thursday 29 June 2023. This will be an opportunity for you to meet your child's Head of House and the Key Stage 3 SENDCo. Doors for the evening event will open at 5:00pm and talks are as follows:

- Students assigned to Anvil, Calshot and Hurst will have their talk at 5.30pm
- Students assigned to Kingswear, Portland and Trinity will have their talk at 6:30pm

Steps to ASPIRE

Our '**Steps to ASPIRE**' journey will assist your child in preparing for their transition to the Academy. Our Academy purpose is to develop literate, numerate global citizens who are Ambitious, Self-Confident, Physically Literate, Independent Learners, Resilient and Emotionally Literate.

Between now and Transition Day, your child will receive six tasks: one for each ASPIRE competency. Tasks will be sent out on a postcard to your child and each postcard will have the details of how to complete and submit the task. Tasks one to five will be sent to you, by post; the first one is enclosed with this letter. The 6th task will be distributed on Transition Day. We will recognise all students who have taken '**Steps to ASPIRE**' through their transition and we will celebrate your achievements later in the year.

You should strongly encourage your child to partake in all the tasks, as this will develop their engagement, strengthen their readiness and widen their knowledge of the Academy. This will be their first opportunity to partake in a house competition, as each task completed will result in house points accumulating. The '**Steps to ASPIRE**' house points will be available to view on Transition Evening.

Please find enclosed task 1, which is focused on the ASPIRE competency 'AMBITIOUS'. We very much look forward to receiving your completed task by Friday 21 April. See the postcard for further details about the 'AMBITIOUS' task.

Uniform

Please see our Welcome Booklet for uniform information. A reminder that everyone should purchase a house tie and a house blazer; in addition, all girls joining the Academy, wishing to wear a skirt, are required to wear the regulation skirt which is purchased from our retail outlet, CJI Clothing Ltd, 545-547 Wimborne Road, Moordown, Bournemouth, BH9 2AP (Tel: 01202 249244). Shoes must be black leather/leather look – as per the Welcome Booklet description.

Free School Meals

If your child is eligible for Free School Meals, a uniform voucher will then be available for you to collect on Thursday 29 June at our Transition Evening.

Biometric Catering

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The Academy runs a cashless catering and payment system - please see the information sheet and consent form enclosed. More details on accessing the online payment system will be provided on the Transition Evening. In order for your child to purchase food at the Academy we would like them to use our biometric system.

SEND Surgeries for children with Special Educational Needs and/or Disability

Our SENDCo, Mrs Betteridge, will be offering the below dates for parents of children with SEND to meet and discuss your child's needs and current provision. Your child's school would have been given a letter to distribute to parents of children on the SEND register currently. This letter provides further information about these SEND surgeries. Please be reassured that the primary schools will also be providing the Academy with information about your child. The dates and times available to meet with Mrs Betteridge, onsite at the Academy, are below. You do not need to book an appointment, you will be seen upon order of arrival:

Wednesday 17 May	14:15 – 15:30
Friday 16 June	09:30 - 12:30
Wednesday 21 June	14:00 – 16:30

In the meantime, should you have any questions in relation to your child's transition to The Bourne Academy, please do not hesitate to contact Mrs Hayley Betteridge who will be only too happy to assist: Hayley.betteridge@thebourneacademy.com

I look forward to meeting you on **Thursday 29 June** and on **Friday 30 June** for what I am sure will be memorable days for you and your child.

Yours faithfully,



Mr M Avoth
Principal

All Documents to be returned to the Academy by/on Friday 16 June

- Student Information Record
- Biometrics Consent Form
- Ambition Letter (to be returned by **Friday 21 April**)