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June 2023

Dear Parent/Carer

JESMOND PARK ACADEMY YEAR 6 TRANSITION: FURTHER DETAILS

I am writing to you with a further update on the transition arrangements to Jesmond Park Academy in preparation for your child joining us from September 2023.

Year 6 Parent/Carer Evening – Thursday 22 June 2023

We are pleased to be holding our Year 6 Parent/Carer Evening on the school site this year, and look forward to welcoming you along. There will be two presentations; please choose **ONE** session to attend and let us know on the reply slip by **Friday 16 June**, which session you intend to come to if you are planning to attend. Reply slips can be returned to us by post or by email to cchirnside@jesmondparkacademy.org.uk

- **Early Presentation (session 1):** Arrive at 4:20pm for a 4:30pm start, finishing at 5:00pm, followed by an opportunity - from 5:00pm-5:30pm to chat to key members of staff.
Or:
- **Later Presentation (session 2):** Arrive at 5:50pm for a 6:00pm start, finishing at 6:30pm, followed by an opportunity - from 6:30pm-7:00pm – to chat to key members of staff.

The purpose of the evening is to give you essential information about arrangements for the transfer to Jesmond Park Academy in September. **Please note that due to the limited space available, this evening is intended for parents/carers only.**

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Following the presentation there will be the opportunity to ask any questions that you may have with key members of the team, including Mr Campbell (Principal), Mrs Dowling (Head of Key Stage 3), Mr Aitken (Inclusion and Student Experience), Mrs Munro (SENDCO) and Mrs Hooker (Head of Year)

Online Resources

We are working closely with primary schools to ensure that the transition to Jesmond Park Academy is as smooth as possible for all children in Year 6. We are taking several steps to support the successful transition of students using a range of online resources, which are now available in the transition area of our school website. You can locate this easily by visiting our website www.jesmondparkacademy.org.uk and selecting 'ABOUT THE ACADEMY' followed by 'TRANSITION' from the top menu bar. You will also be able to access this area of the website from the second 'pip' on the homepage of the school website in due course.

On our website, there are a range of resources to support you and your child with their transition to Jesmond Park Academy. We would be very grateful if you could look through these resources with them.

In the Transition area of our website, you will be able access the following extensive range of information over the coming weeks. Updates and additions will continue to be made, so please do check the website regularly for the latest information:

- A "frequently asked questions" page to answer the most common questions
- School uniform order information from Michael Sehgal and Sons Ltd
- School uniform booklet for September 2023
- Wynsors shoe brochure for September 2023
- Transition brochure containing useful information about the school
- An interactive map of the school for parents and children to explore
- Overview of the transition staff team
- Copies of our letters to parents/carers about transition
- A replacement downloadable registration form
- Information on transition support for SEND students
- Our school prospectus
- Useful website links (which may be added to over time)
- A contact form to ask any further questions you may have

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School Uniform September 2023

We are now in a position to give you further details about purchasing our school uniform for the next academic year. The school badge outer ring colour for Year 7 in September will be **PINK**. This will remain with students as they progress through the school. Our uniform supplier is Michael Sehgal and Sons Ltd, and their website address is www.michaelsehgal.co.uk We have published a presentation from our uniform supplier, which you can access from the transition area of our school website. This provides you with all of the information that you need about ordering school uniform for September 2023.

Using information available from Wynsors' Shoes, we have compiled a brochure of suitable school shoes. This brochure can be found in the Transition area of our website. Please note that there may be some variation in shoe codes, sizes and availability. You are welcome to buy school shoes from any retailer, providing that the shoes purchased match the requirements in our uniform guide and the examples of approved styles in our shoe brochure. (they must be black and polishable).

Transition Days: 12, 13 and 14 July 2023

There will be three transition days for students. On these days, they will spend time getting to know the school, other students, and our staff, before they start with us in September. These transition days will be on **Wednesday 12 July, Thursday 13 July and Friday 14 July**. There are further details about the transition days in the information leaflet included with this letter. There is also important information that we require from you relating to the transition days as part of the reply slip that needs to be returned to us by Friday 16 June. Students will be required to make the journey to and from school themselves for the transition days, supported by a parent/carer if needed. This is an important step to get children accustomed to travelling to and from school by themselves from September.

I will be writing to you about the arrangements for the start of term again in due course. If you have any questions that are not answered in our transition FAQs section, please complete the contact form in the transition area of the school website with your query, and we will respond to you as soon as possible. We are looking forward to meeting you at our event on **Thursday 22 June** and welcoming your child to Jesmond Park Academy in September for the next exciting stage in their learning journey.

Yours faithfully



Mr D Merrifield
Deputy Principal

JESMOND PARK ACADEMY YEAR 6 TRANSITION IMPORTANT EVENTS INFORMATION

Year 6 Parent/Carer Evening



Thursday 22 June 2023

There will be two sessions; please choose **ONE** session to attend

4:30pm – 5:00pm
(arrive from 4:20pm)

6:00pm – 6:30pm
(arrive from 5:50pm)

As a parent/carers, you will be welcomed to the school by our Principal, Mr Campbell. You have the opportunity to listen to key staff who will explain how we help our new Year 7 students successfully join our learning community at Jesmond Park Academy. **The evening is intended just for parents/carers.**

Year 6 Transition Days

Wednesday 12 July 2023 8:20am to 3:00pm
Thursday 13 July 2023 8:20am to 3:00pm
Friday 14 July 2023 8:20am to 3:00pm

Year 6 students will be invited to spend three full days with us here at Jesmond Park Academy on 12, 13 and 14 July. The days will start at 8:30am (children to arrive for 8:20am) and finish at 3pm. Primary school uniform and trainers should be worn on this day and students should bring their own water/drink and we advise that you provide them with sunscreen.



The day visits to the school will involve sample lessons, a range of activities, and a tour of the school.

For the visits, you will need to make travel arrangements for your child to and from Jesmond Park Academy. We recommend that the children make the journey to and from school independently in preparation for September.

Please note:

- We will provide students with a cereal bar during break time – therefore, please indicate on the reply slip if your child has any dietary requirements that we need to be aware of. We have water fountains in school so that students can re-fill their own bottles if needed.
- Your child will need to bring a packed lunch each day. However, a packed lunch will be provided for students who receive Free School Meals. **If your child is eligible for Free School Meals, please indicate their preference on the reply slip enclosed.**
- Your child will need to wear trainers for the three transition days as they will be involved in PE activities on one of the days.
- They will also need to bring a reading book with them on all three days.



JESMOND PARK ACADEMY TRANSITION EVENTS REPLY SLIP

Please return by Friday 16 June 2023, by post FAO Mrs Caroline Chirnside or by email to cchirnside@jesmondparkacademy.org.uk.

PARENT/CARER INFORMATION EVENING: THURSDAY 22 JUNE 2023

(Please indicate number of attendees in relevant box or tick if not attending)

I/We will be attending the Parent/Carer Information Evening **4:30pm Session**

I/We will be attending the Parent/Carer Information Evening **6pm Session**

I/We will not be attending the Parent/Carer Information Evening

TRANSITION DAY VISITS: WEDNESDAY 12, THURSDAY 13 AND FRIDAY 14 JULY

ONLY COMPLETE IF YOUR CHILD IS ELIGIBLE FOR FREE SCHOOL MEALS

(Please tick eligibility and tick requested option for each day)

My child is **eligible** for Free School Meals and would like the following sandwiches for their packed lunch:

Wednesday 12 July	Thursday 13 July	Friday 14 July
<input type="checkbox"/> Cheese Savoury	<input type="checkbox"/> Cheese Savoury	<input type="checkbox"/> Cheese Savoury
<input type="checkbox"/> Tuna Mayo	<input type="checkbox"/> Tuna Mayo	<input type="checkbox"/> Tuna Mayo
<input type="checkbox"/> Chicken Mayo	<input type="checkbox"/> Chicken Mayo	<input type="checkbox"/> Chicken Mayo
<input type="checkbox"/> Cheese and Tomato	<input type="checkbox"/> Cheese and Tomato	<input type="checkbox"/> Cheese and Tomato
<input type="checkbox"/> Cheese	<input type="checkbox"/> Cheese	<input type="checkbox"/> Cheese
<input type="checkbox"/> Ham	<input type="checkbox"/> Ham	<input type="checkbox"/> Ham

Other Dietary Requirements (including any allergies):

Student Name: «First» «SURNAME»

Primary School: «Current_Reg_Base»

Signature of Parent/Carer: _____

