

Vision: To inspire students to become **confident, ethical and compelling** individuals with the aspiration and qualities to shape a **better future for all.**

Values: Respect, Responsibility, Curiosity and Resilience

14th June 2021

Dear Parent/Carer,

Induction Arrangements – Wednesday 7th – Friday 9th July

We are delighted to welcome you and your child to The Forest High School. On Wednesday 7th, Thursday 8th and Friday 9th July, when we are holding our Year 6 Induction Days.

The purpose of the three days is to introduce your child to The Forest High School; to learn the geography of the campus; to give them an insight into the curriculum as well as the Forest High Values.

Please make sure that your child wears clothes that are suitable for sports, this must include trainers please.

In order for events of each day to start smoothly we would like all new students to be at school by 8.30am. They should meet us outside The Community Hub (the building to the right of the leisure centre that was previously known as ‘Splinters’)

Transport arrangements are as follows:

School	Transport Arrangements
Forest View	Students to make their own way to The Forest High School
St. Whites Primary	Leaves approximately 8.10 am . Bus fare: approximately £1.50 single, £2.30 return
Littledean C. of E - Stagecoach No.	Leaves approximately 7.55 am from The Belfry. Bus fare: approximately £1.20 single, £2 return
Soudley	Leaves approximately 8.00 am from The White Horse. Bus fare: approximately £1.50 single £2.30 return
Newnham / Steam Mills / Clearwell / Drybrook / Mitcheldean / Ruardean / St. Johns / Pillowell	Please make individual arrangements

Break time snacks will be provided. If your child has any specific allergies, it would be advisable for them to bring their own snacks. All students must bring a water bottle please. Lunch can be purchased from the Dining Room at an approximate cost of £2.00. If your child is entitled to Free School Meals, then they will get a Free School Meal with us. A reply slip for your child’s lunchtime requirements is attached. This needs to be completed and returned to the Primary School by Thursday 1st July please. The school day ends 3:15pm (12:50pm on a Friday) students may be collected from outside the school reception or make their own way home.



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There are a number of other forms (these were sent out a few weeks ago) that we need you to complete and return to us. Please fully complete them and bring with you to the Parents' Evening on Wednesday 7th July or return to the school office during the day.

Free School Meals and School Transport

If you think your child may be entitled to Free School Meals or help with the cost of bus transport to school, please apply online at <http://www.gloucestershire.gov.uk/education-and-learning/school-transport-and-free-school-meals/apply-for-free-school-meals>

Wednesday 7th July

Parent/carers meeting: 5pm-6pm to include a welcome message and introduction from our Headteacher – John Whitehead.

You will find a wealth of information on our school website www.foresthigh.org.uk Our school Facebook page [theforesthighschool](https://www.facebook.com/theforesthighschool) and Twitter account [@theforesthigh](https://twitter.com/theforesthigh) regularly publish updates of events at school. We encourage parents to visit our website often, where we regularly publish news, parent letters and other information (such as curriculum information, term dates, uniform).

If your child is unable to attend our year 6 induction days, they can find all of the resources and information to take part in the lessons on our website.

Covid-19

We have very tight health and safety controls in place. I hope you will find reassurance in the fact that we have not had to close the school on any occasion due to a positive case amongst our student population. The risk assessment for the induction days has been sent to your child's primary school and can be found on our website. We would like all year 6 students to bring a face mask with them to FHS. They will be asked to wear masks in all indoor communal spaces eg in corridors and whilst queuing in the canteen. They will not be expected to wear masks in lessons. If you are concerned about anything then please don't hesitate to get in touch.

Uniform

Please find included a guide to The Forest High School uniform. Uniform can be ordered online or at the uniform shop in Cheltenham. Please visit the uniform page on our school website for more details. To ensure delivery in time for the new term, please place your orders before August.

We look forward to seeing you on Wednesday 7th July. If you are unable to attend, please do not hesitate to contact me so that I can arrange an alternative time for you to visit the school.

Yours sincerely,



John Whitehead
Headteacher



Please return to your child's PRIMARY SCHOOL by Thursday 1st July

Name of Child: _____ Current Primary School: _____

Lunch arrangements

Please ✓ appropriate box:-

- My child is entitled to free school meals - Yes No
- My child will purchase food from the School Canteen Yes No
- My child prefers Hot Cold meals
- My child will bring a packed lunch/sandwiches
- My child has a food allergy Yes No If yes, please list details

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SignedParent/Carer Date

Parents' Evening

We/I shall attend the New Parents' Evening on Wednesday 7th July Yes No

We are unable to attend but would like to organise an alternative appointment.

Please call me on:



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