



4th September 2026

Dear Parents and Guardians,

We are ready and looking forward to welcoming your child to St Dunstan's School on Monday 7 September.

The first day in secondary school can be an anxious time for some students and families, whilst for others it can be a time of excitement and optimism. Regardless of how you are feeling, we want to reassure you that we will be available to support your child and families every step of the way.

In order to support the smooth transition, we have organised two transition days on Monday 7th September and Tuesday 8th September. During this time, students will receive a blend of normal lessons, assemblies and launch pad sessions with their tutors. These days are intended to get students up to speed and familiarise themselves with the site, new staff, timetables and general routines. As part of these days, we will be distributing the new Yondr phone pouches and teaching everyone about how to lock and unlock these as well as going through expectations.

Our first full timetable day will be on Wednesday 9th September.

In order to support a smooth start to the day, please can all families be aware of the following-

- Please arrive between **8:30 a.m. and 8:40 a.m.**
- **Entrance:** In a change to our original plans, all Year 7 students should enter through the **main reception entrance**. Staff will be on hand to guide students to the assembly hall where they will be met by their tutor and the Year 7 Pastoral team. You are welcome to walk your child to reception, but please let them go into the hall on their own.
- **Parking:** To keep the area clear for school buses, please do not use the turning circle or the bottom of the car park for drop-off or pick-up. Parking is available at the top of the car park.
- On both transition days, the school day will finish slightly earlier at 3:00pm for Year 7 only. Students who are waiting for siblings or school transport will be supervised in the canteen until 3:15pm.

Families and students are encouraged to read the Year 7 Transition booklet if you have any further questions or queries ahead of Monday. Please use the link to access our online version.

<https://www.midsomernortonschoolspartnership.com/uploads/files/year-6-transition-information.pdf>



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Thank you for your support in advance. We look forward to seeing you all tomorrow.

Yours sincerely

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