

24th April 2025

Dear Parents/Carers

We are very excited to welcome your child to our Extended Transition offer at North Oxfordshire Academy. This is a wonderful time of year for us, where we get to meet lots of new faces that will become familiar to us in the year ahead. If your child is apprehensive about secondary school, or has any additional needs, this is also a great opportunity for them to become familiar with the environment, get to grips with the school layout and, most importantly, meet the adults who will be their support when they do transition. Hopefully, this will make your child feel much more confident when coming for the New to NOA days on the 30th June and 1st July, and ensure that September is a positive start for them.

Your child will arrive at the Academy after our lunch time (1.15) on <u>WEDNESDAY 21st MAY</u> and will be met by their Learning Coach, Miss Penfold-Colledge and other members of the inclusion team. We will be offering some taster sessions of lessons and interventions we offer, as well as some team building activities so they can begin to make connections with children from different primary schools.

We also know that the transition to secondary school can be an equally daunting time for parents. We would therefore like to invite you to for some tea/coffee in our inclusion centre at 3pm on the afternoon of transition. I will explain the support offer at NOA in more detail and it is an opportunity for you to ask questions, and also to meet other parents!

Before transition we ask that you consent to the primary school sharing with us any information, including medical needs, that we may need to know to ensure that your child is happy and safe whilst they are with us. We may be in contact with you if we need to put in place a risk assessment, based on this information. Please could you respond no later than 2nd June 2025. Forms can be emailed directly to me.

We very much look forward to meeting you all once the SATs are over. In the meantime, if you have any questions, please do contact me at Katherine.graham@northoxfordshire-academy.org.

Principal: Mrs Ellie Jacobs

Kind Regards