



Harewood Junior School

Y2/3 Transition

Parents' information

July 2026



Your children's Class Teachers:

Mrs Brewer 3Br

Mrs Blackford 3BI

Ms Tyler 3T

Mrs Hadzhieva, Mrs Gaston, Mrs Lowman and Mrs Faux all work across the yeargroup.

The children are put into their classes for us by the infant school as they know your children best.



Transition Process

Children...

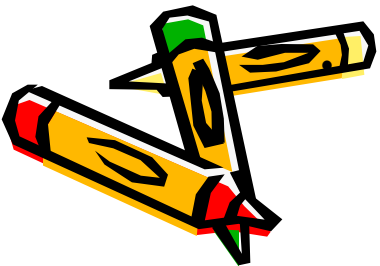
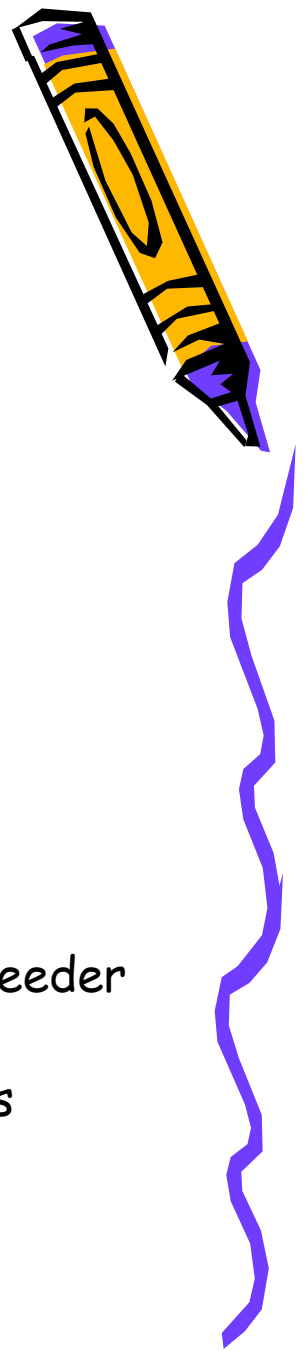
- Joint activities with the infants,
- Visiting the Annual Exhibition of Work this afternoon
- Coming for an afternoon in their new classroom on Wednesday 15th July

Parents...

- Transition Meeting today
- Annual Exhibition this afternoon 3:15 - 5pm
- Summer Fair on Thursday 9th July 3:15pm - 5pm
- Information evening in September

Staff:

- Handover between teachers from the Infants or the feeder schools and HJS
- SEN handover between Mrs Kendrick (infants) and Mrs Kidd, AHT for Inclusion
- Safeguarding handover



In September...



- Children start school on **Wednesday 2nd September**.
- Normally, school starts at 8:40am each day and children should arrive between 8:30 and 8:35am and come straight into school. Parents do not normally come on site in the mornings.
- On the first morning, Y4, 5 and 6 will arrive and meet their teacher on the front playground at 8:35am and be taken inside.
- The new Y3 children and their parents will come on site at **8:45am** and will congregate on the front playground. Please do not come on site before this as you and your children will get muddled up with the Y4, 5 & 6



Teachers will meet you and the children will line up at the respective marker point.

Parents will then leave the site while the children enter school by their fire exits.

As we will need to concentrate on your children, we will not be able to stop and chat with you.

If you need to speak to a member of staff about your child, we ask you to ring the school office to arrange to speak to them during the lunch break or after school.



From Thursday 3rd September,....



- Parents will drop their child off at one of the two pedestrian entrances. Gates will be open from 8:30am and staff will be on duty.
- The children will make their way directly to their door and enter their classrooms.



Life in the Juniors

Becoming a junior is quite a big jump from being an infant.

In Year 3, the children will be expected to be:

- more independent
- think for themselves
- take responsibility for their own belongings



What to bring with them....

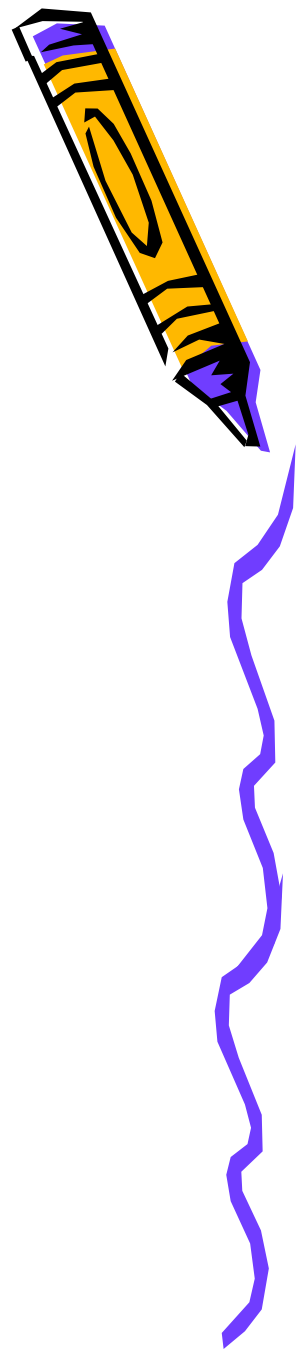
- Compact school bag
- Water bottle
- Coat
- Healthy packed lunch or children may order a school dinner (paid via parentpay)
- Fruit or vegetable snack OR money for school fruit or toast

Everything
needs to be
clearly named!

The children do not need pencil cases or any toys.



Uniform



- We would ask that children come to school, smartly dressed in the school uniform:
 - white blouse, shirt or polo shirt,
 - grey skirt or trousers or shorts,
 - red cardigan or sweatshirt,
 - white, grey or black socks or tights
 - flat black shoes.

ALL NAMED, PLEASE!



PE Kit/PE bags



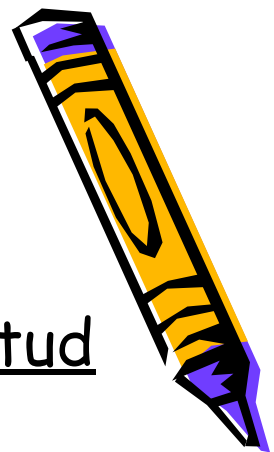
- Similar to the Infants, all children need to wear school PE kit for PE days.
- HJS kit is very simple and cheap: **red shorts** and a **plain white t-shirt**.
- For outdoor games, children will also need to wear trainers or daps. In cold weather they can wear plain red, black or grey jogging bottoms and their school sweatshirts.

Please ensure all kit is labelled.



Jewellery

- No jewellery should be worn, please.
- If earrings are worn they must be small, plain, stud earrings.
- For all PE activities, earrings must be removed (this cannot be undertaken by school staff) or if they can't be removed, they need to be covered in tape which parents must provide.
- Children can not swim, however, whilst wearing earrings.



The first few days....

- Staff will spend time getting to know the children.
- Children will be assessed for reading and maths and complete some writing about their holidays.
- A chance to share their Holiday homework booklet.
- Children will be introduced to the school's Golden Rules, daily routines, expectations, different staff members and the school buildings.



A Typical Day in Year 3

- 8:40 am - Registration & target work
- 9:00 am - Reading skills
- 9:30am - Assembly
- 10:00 am - Spelling, Grammar and Writing
- 10:45 am - **Break Time**
- 11:00 am - Snack Time
- 11:15 am - Maths
- 12:40 pm - **Lunch Time**
- 1:30 pm - Topic Work
- 3:05 pm - Home Time



Year 3 topics



- Autumn Term: 'Jungle Fever'

Rainforests

- Spring Term: 'Rock and Roll'

The Stone Age

- Summer Term: 'Tomb Raiders'

The Ancient Egyptians



Behaviour management strategies

The children at Harewood are generally well behaved. However, if children choose to do the wrong thing, we will:

- Give them plenty of warnings and chances to do the right thing and put it right using Restorative Approach.
- Time out, making up for lost learning time at playtime.
- Award a yellow card detention (missing one lunchtime play) if they continue to choose to do the wrong thing;
- Award a red card detention (five days of missing lunchtime play) if their behaviour is more serious.

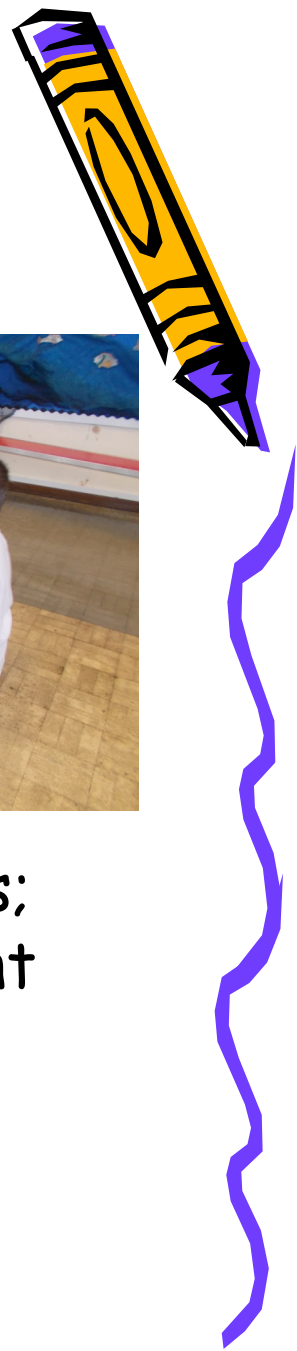


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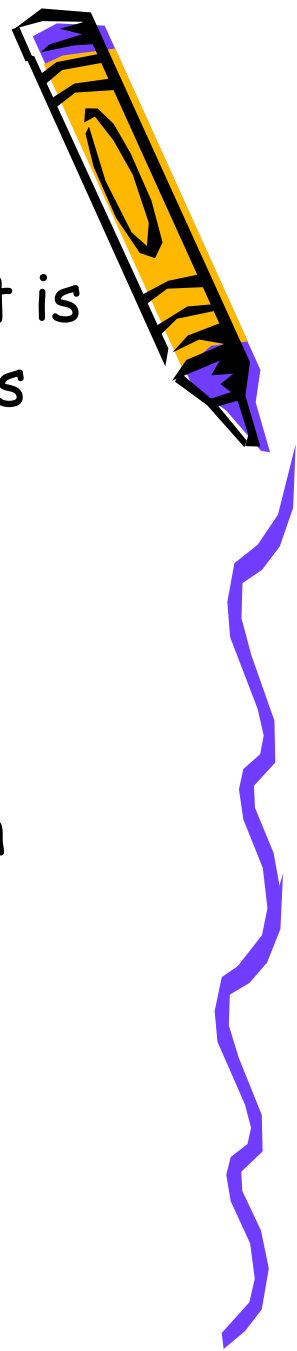
With support, children are encouraged to resolve problems and find solutions for themselves.



Children are shown how to follow a fair process; listening to each other in turn to hear different perspectives; then agreeing an outcome that makes a lasting and positive difference.



Payments



- We try to keep costs to a minimum, however it is not possible to completely fund the extra trips and swimming we provide through the school budget.
- The school is linked to PMX.parentmail (all parents will receive personal login details)
- We ask that you all make your contributions in order that the children can still benefit from the varied experiences we believe are so important.



Absence

- If your child is unwell, please let the school know by telephoning 01452 525364 before 8:50am.
- If your child is away from school due to illness for more than a day please keep us informed of their progress.
- Children should be in school everyday and attendance of 90% or below is classed as Persistent Absenteeism and we have to take action.



Illness & medicines

- Specific staff will give oral medicines to children; however they do this on a voluntary basis so the school cannot accept responsibility if a dose is missed.
- Medicines must be brought to the office by parents and a medical form completed detailing dosage, times and frequency of the medicine.
- In the unfortunate event of an accident or sickness occurring during the school day we will contact you.

It is therefore essential that your contact numbers and details are up to date.

Please complete the contact form in your information pack & return to school.



Our Pastoral team are there to support your child.

- Mrs Kidd, Assistant Head for Inclusion
- Mrs Fogg, Family Learning Lead
- Mrs Jones



Mrs. Kidd - Assistant Head and SENCo

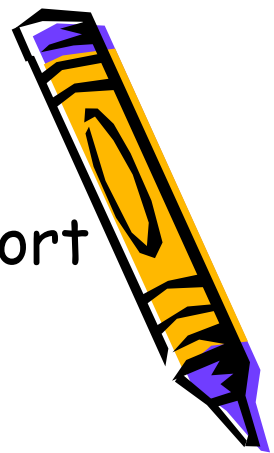


.....will write to those parents whose children have identified SEND at the start of Year 3 inviting you to an initial My Plan review meeting with her and your child's new class teacher.

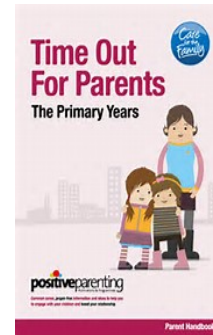


Further support for you

We run a variety of courses and workshops to support you led by Mrs Fogg as well as ones we commission from outside providers.



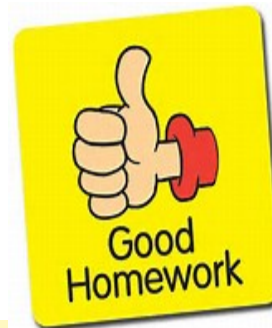
CAP money
course



Time out
for
parents



Sleep
project



Homewor
k
project

"Fantastic course. I have gained new ideas. All parents from the school should do these courses. I keep telling my friends."- quote from parent.



Friends of Harewood

Want to be part of a great team?

Can you help raise money to benefit the pupils of our school?

Planning meetings are held termly after school.
Volunteers welcome to help us run events.

Typical events in the past;

Family quiz night
Christmas Fayre
Easter egg hunt
Summer Fayre
Sponsored events

Plus children's discos and supporting other events.



And finally.....

This afternoon you are very welcome to visit the school to look at your child's classroom for next year and see the work that this year's children have produced. Please also do check out the school's website for a further taste of what Harewood has to offer.

