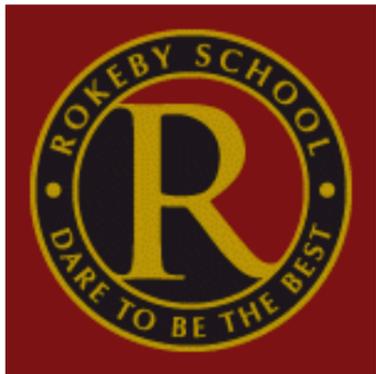
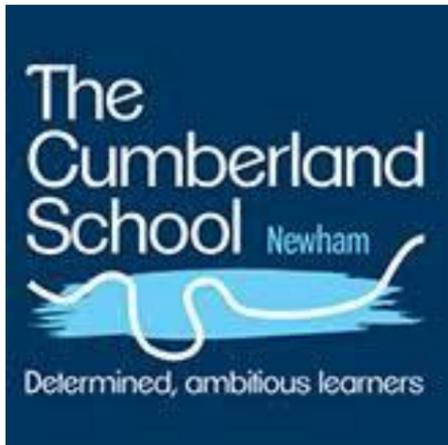




Joining together
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Preparing Brampton Primary Children for Secondary School



Sarah Bonnell School



Transition

What is Transition?

Transition can be described as the moving or changing from one position to another; e.g. the transition from adolescence to adulthood.

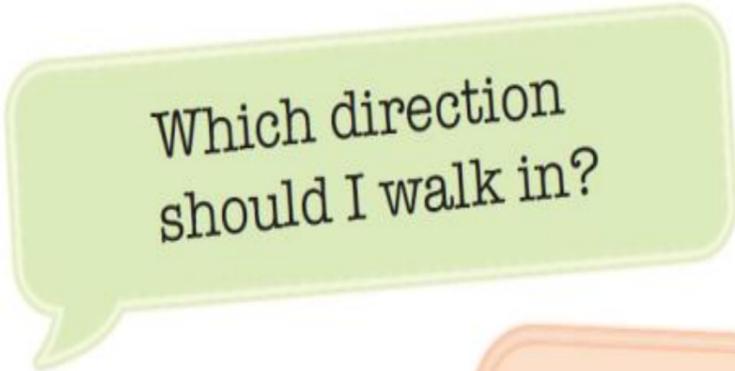
The move from primary school to secondary school can be the biggest and most memorable transition a person will experience in their lifetime. Therefore, we at Brampton Primary feel that it is vital to prepare our students for this transition well before they start secondary school in September.

Why Transition is Important?

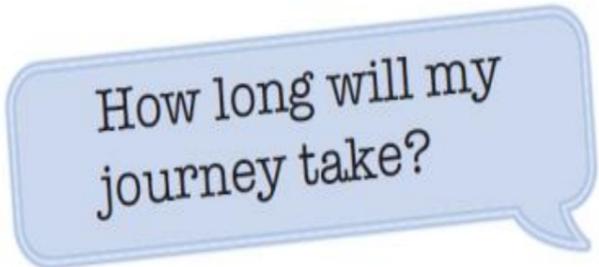
A large number of primary school pupils live very close to school, so they can leave their homes five minutes before the start of school and still be on time. However, when starting secondary school all children will have to take into consideration the following issues:

- Their Journey

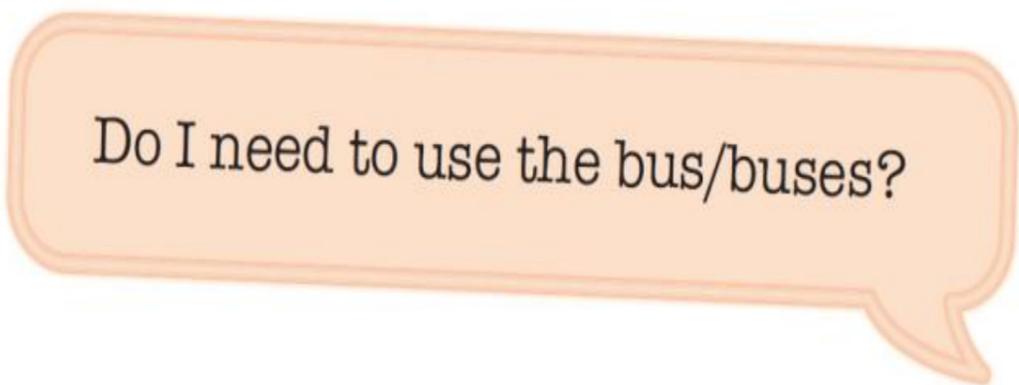
Your child may have to start thinking about how they will travel to and from school.



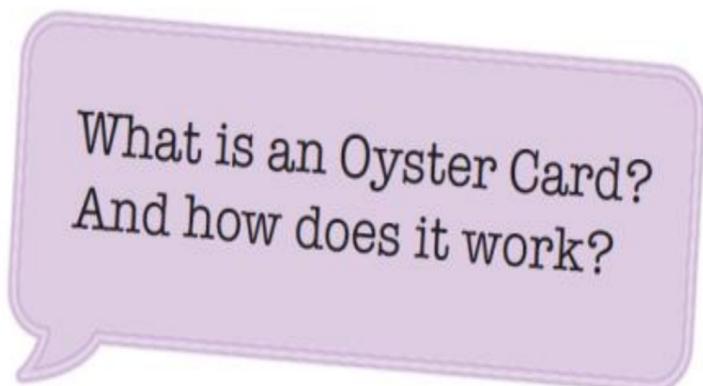
Which direction should I walk in?



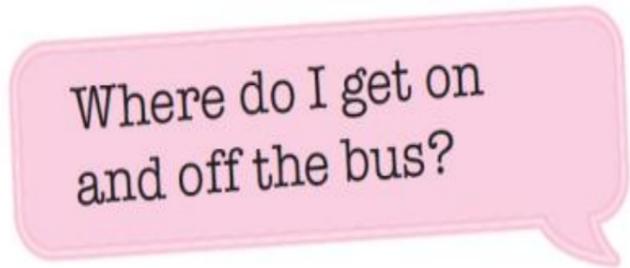
How long will my journey take?



Do I need to use the bus/buses?



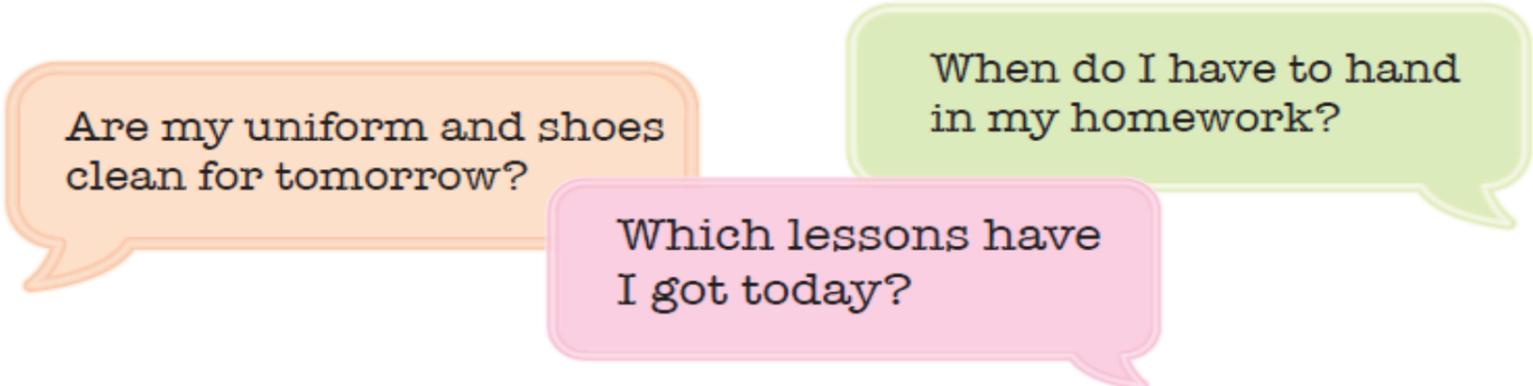
What is an Oyster Card?
And how does it work?



Where do I get on
and off the bus?

- Their Weekly/Daily Preparation

Your child will have to think about whether his/her uniform is clean and ironed, if they have the correct books and equipment/stationery in their bag, and especially if they have done their homework.



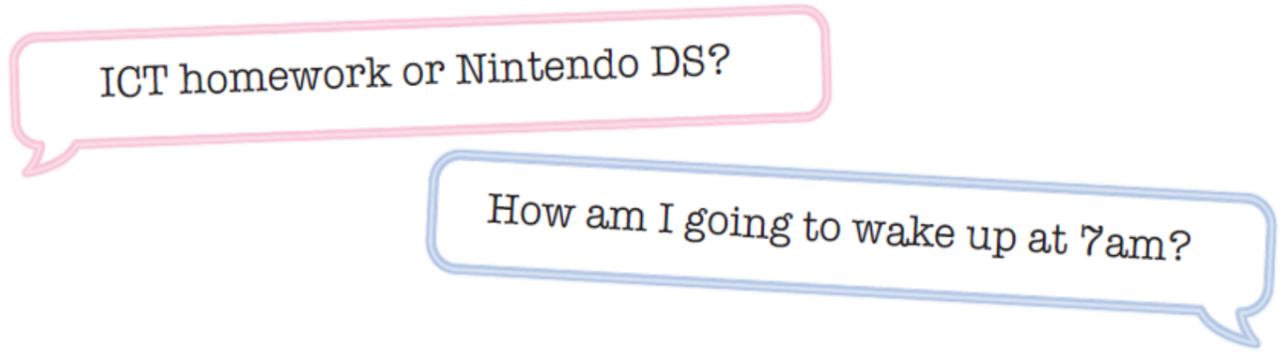
Are my uniform and shoes clean for tomorrow?

When do I have to hand in my homework?

Which lessons have I got today?

- Their Time Management

Your child may have to start waking up earlier which could mean getting themselves an alarm clock. Your child will also have to spend a lot more of their free time focusing on their homework.



ICT homework or Nintendo DS?

How am I going to wake up at 7am?

The above may seem like small things to worry about but they are genuine concerns that children have. If we (parents, teachers, adults) neglect to discuss these things with the children, then the children could end up getting into trouble and receiving detentions because of lateness, non-uniform and unfinished homework.

Transition Fortnight

Transition from primary to secondary school is a key area we work on for all children throughout their entire time in year 6. The first two weeks of school after the May Half-Term holiday (well after year 6 have completed their SAT's tests) are designated for transition work. During those two weeks, our Learning Mentors, will organise and conduct different activities with the year 6 pupils focusing totally upon preparing the children for that change from primary to secondary. This booklet shows some of the work that is done during our transition fortnight.

Extra Visits

We take a number of our year 6 children to visit their respective secondary school, in order for them to see how the school operates during a normal day. These visits are not official Open days or Induction days, which are organised by the secondary school and the local authority.



We start out from Brampton Primary and travel to the secondary school, which gives our year 6 the opportunity to learn and actually see how they are going to travel to their secondary school. Usually a visit will last for 45 to 60 minutes and on arrival at the secondary school our year 6 will be greeted by a member of the transition team.



The year 6 pupils may then go on a tour of the building and the various departments or take part in a lesson. During the visit the year 6 children will have the opportunity to meet staff members, pupils, learn the layout of the building and have any questions they have answered.



Visits from secondary school staff

A representative, usually the Year 7 Head of Year, will visit to meet the pupils transferring to their school in September 2021. During the visit the children will hear about the role of the Head of Year, lessons that will be taught and the expectations of the secondary school.

During this visit the year 6 children will have the opportunity to ask questions and talk about any fears, thoughts, expectations they have about secondary school.



Children not heading to Brampton Manor Academy

If your child is not going to Brampton Manor Academy, we arrange for them to participate in special group activities. Linking with other primary schools we are able to introduce our pupils to others transferring to their respective secondary school.

Working with Primary Schools within Newham

Our transition groups are not just held at Brampton Primary; we also liaise and work with other primary schools within the borough.



Some of the primary schools we work with include Nelson Primary, Latham Juniors and St. Edward's Primary. For the Brampton Primary pupils heading to the following secondary schools; Langdon, Lister, St. Bonaventure's, Kingsford and St. Angela's and Plashet we will either take them to one of the above mentioned primary schools, or those primary schools will bring some of their children to us for the transition group.

During these transition groups all the children get to discuss their feelings, fears, hopes and expectations about secondary school with children from different primary schools who are heading to the same secondary school.



Working with other primary schools in this way, gives our year 6 the opportunity to meet children heading to the same secondary and make new friends well before starting school in September.

Secondary Schools Outside of Newham

For the children who are set to go to a secondary school outside of Newham, we do our very best to ensure that they take part in one of the transition groups that take place at Brampton Primary, run by our Learning Mentors.

Just as with all the other transition groups, the children will discuss with our Pastoral Support Team a variety of different issues that they have said they want to talk about. The most commonly asked questions and issues discussed include;

- Bullying
- Journey worries
- Meeting new people/making friends
- Detentions
- Large number of subjects they will study
- Completing homework
- Getting lost/being late
- Hopes and Fears

Help with completing the application

We want to ensure that all parents are able and confident when completing the application form. Detailed advice for completing an online application can be found on pages

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Key information regarding the application process is detailed in Section 2 on pages 31*– 37* and 73*- 74*

When applying on line you will automatically be entered into a prize draw to receive some school uniform. See page 72* for more details.

If you have applied online, you will be able to log into the eAdmissions site during the evening of 1st March 2021 and receive notification of your child's secondary place. Offer letters are sent out by 1st class post on the 1st March 2021 to all those who completed a paper application.

Frequently Asked Questions

1. How are places given? Who gets priority?

Offers are based upon a number of factors. As long as your application is completed and handed in on time then Pupil Services will firstly take into consideration if your child is on the Special Educational Needs Disability (SEND) register. Children on the SEND register are given first priority and second priority is given to children who live in the care of a Local Authority (LA). However, the majority of places are given to children who fall within the Sibling and All Other Applicants groups.

Special Educational Needs and physical access needs see page 102* - 103*.

If your child is neither on the SEND register or living in care then Pupil Services will look at whether your child has a brother or sister attending that secondary school.

If your child falls within the All Other Applicants group, then your child will be offered a place based on the walking distance between where your child lives and the school (closest first). See Section 4 pages 51*- 71* for information on “How places are offered”

For help with finding out the distance between your home and local secondary schools please go to www.newham.gov.uk/schoolfactfinder.

2. Does my child qualify for free school meals?

Unlike Newham primary schools where ALL children are entitled to free school meals, you will have to complete an application form if you want your child to continue receiving free school meals when they move to secondary school.

3. Can I appeal against the place offered?

If you are not happy with the place offered then you have the right to appeal against the decision. However, on the Appeals Form you will have to provide a valid reason or reasons for why you want your child to attend a different school. See Section 3 page 46* for more details.

4. How do I apply if I want my child to go to an out-of-borough school if I live in Newham?

If you want your child to attend an out-of-borough school then you will still have to complete the Common Application Form and send it to Newham Pupil Services or make an online application. In your application please name the borough or council the school is in and Newham Pupil Services will send your information to them. Please use some of your 6 choices to apply for schools within Newham just in case your child does not get a place in an out-of-borough school. See page 35* for more details.

5. How do I apply if we live outside of Newham?

You must apply to the local authority where you live, even if you want your child to attend a Newham school. See page 35* for more details.

6. Applying for Oyster Cards and any other travel concerns?

Travel on public buses is free for all students under the age of 18. However, your child will need to have an Oyster Photo Card if they are to travel for free on the buses. Application forms for Oyster Cards are available at post offices and please read page 104* - 106* or visit www.tfl.gov.uk for more information.

7. What if we move/change address?

If you do change your address please make sure that all your details are up-to-date at Brampton Primary. Also, please supply Pupil Services with a proof of address document in order to support your application. Please read page 35*

Secondary School Open Evenings/Days Pages 6 & 7

Secondary school	Open evening	Open day
Bobby Moore Academy	14 th October 2020 5pm – 7pm	7 th October 2020 10:30am – 12noon 21 st October 2020 9am – 11am
Brampton Manor Academy	1 st October 2020 5pm – 7pm	
Chobham Academy	20 th October 2020 4:30pm – 7:30pm	26 th September 2020 10am – 1pm
Cumberland	29 th September 2020 4:30pm – 7pm	Monday 5 th October – Friday 9 th October 2020 8:45am -9:45am and 10:45 -11:45
Eastlea		28 th , 29 th , 30 th September 2020 9:30am – 10:30am
East London Science School	24 th September 2020 5pm – 8pm	26 th September 2020 10am – 1pm
Forest Gate	22 nd September 2020 4:30pm – 7pm	23 rd September 2020 1 st October 2020 9am – 12noon
Kingsford	6 th October 2020 4pm – 7pm	
Langdon	16 th September 2020 4:30pm – 6:30pm	
Lister	30 th September 2020 5pm – 7pm	Monday 5 th – Friday 9 th October 2020 9am – 10am
Little Ilford	7 th October 2020 4pm - 6:30pm	
Oasis Academy	28 th September 2020 4:30pm – 7pm	29 th September 2020 1 st October 2020 9am – 10am

Secondary school	Open evening	Open day
Plashet (Girls only)	22 nd September 2020 4pm – 7pm	24 th & 25 th September 2020 9am – 10:30am
Rokeby		3 rd October 2020 10am – 12noon
Royal Docks	17 th September 2020 5pm – 7pm	
St. Angela's	15 th October 2020 Contact the school for times.	
St. Bonaventure's	8 th October 2020 6pm – 8pm	12 th - 15 th October 2020 9:30am – 11am
Sarah Bonnell	21 st September 2020 4:30pm – 7:30pm	22 nd September 2020 2 nd October 2020 13 th October 2020 9am – 10am
School 21	Contact school	Contact school
Stratford School Academy	5 th October 2020 4:30pm – 7pm	Upton Lane Site 24 th September 2020 9:30am – 12:30pm Grosvenor Road Site 25 th September 2020 9:30am – 12:30pm

Please ensure that you visit the schools to see and hear what they have to offer. When completing the application please put 6 schools down in order of your preference.

Important Dates

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- Friday 23/10/20 – Deadline for paper applications handed into primary school.
- 5pm Friday 30/10/20 – Deadline for receipt of paper applications posted to Pupil Services.
- 5pm Friday 30/10/20 – Deadline for changes of preferences to paper applications. Changes made after this date will be treated as late applications.
- 11.59pm, Saturday 31/10/20 – Deadline for applying online. Applying online gives you instant acknowledgement of receipt. Please take note of your reference number. See pages 76* - 77*
- 11.59pm, Saturday 31/10/20 – Deadline for changes of preferences to online applications. Changes made after this date will be treated as late applications.
- 31/10/20 – Deadline for return of Supplementary Forms for Newham Voluntary Aided (VA) or faith schools. (This is the date that the form must be received by the school not the date posted)
- 01/03/21 – National Offer Day
Pupil Services will send out Offer letters by first class post to those who submitted a paper application.
If you applied online, you will be able to log into the eAdmissions site during the evening and receive notification of your child's secondary place.
- Middle of May – Independent admission appeal hearings start.

