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Dear parent/carer

Acklam Grange Transition 2026

As Headteacher, I write to personally congratulate you on securing a place for your child at our school and welcome you officially to the Acklam Grange Family. You can be reassured that our transition team will do all we can to ensure a smooth, personalised and successful transition for your child into Acklam Grange School from September 2026. The transition process starts as soon as we know which students are coming to Acklam Grange and, over the next few months, we will be working closely with the primary schools to ensure a successful transition for your child.

AGS Transition Webpage: To support your child's transition we have set up a dedicated Year 6 transition area on our school website. This area has lots of relevant information including our Welcome Booklet that details a wide range of important information. We would urge you and your child to access this webpage on a regular basis to help prepare you for your transition to Acklam Grange School. This can be found at <http://www.acklamgrange.org.uk/transition>.

Welcome Week: A major part of the transition process is our 3 day Welcome Week as this allows your child to experience life at secondary school and meet the other students who are starting with us, as well as all the staff. This year Welcome Week will run from Monday 6th July to Wednesday 8th July and our Year 6 Parents' Evening will be on Wednesday 8th July at 6pm. I would recommend that you put these dates in your diary, you can find all the important dates in our [key dates document](#).

- Students can arrive from 8am, free breakfast is available. All students should be in school by 8.30am. Entry to the school is via the Lodore Grove student entrance, where they will be greeted by a member of staff. Students will also leave via the Lodore Grove side of school at 3.00pm, please make sure you have practiced this journey with your child and they know how they are getting to and from school.
- Please ensure that your child wears their primary school uniform during the induction days and that sensible shoes are worn. They may wear trainers if these are allowed in their primary school. Please remember that jewellery and/or make-up must not be worn.
- Students will also be taking part in a range of practical activities such as drama and PE, we therefore ask that a PE kit is brought into school each day.
- Students will be provided with a school meal each day, which is paid for by Acklam Grange School. However, students are welcome to bring a packed lunch if this is preferred. We recommend that your child brings a bottle of water each day but please be aware that we do not allow fizzy drinks.

Year 6 Parent/Carer and Student evening: Our Parent/Carer information evening will be held on Wednesday 8th July 2026 from 6.00-8.00pm. There will be a presentation for Parent/Carers by myself and the opportunity to meet with your child's Form Tutor and Year Leader. Our uniform provider will also be present with stock to try on and purchase. This is an extremely important event where we will discuss school procedures and answer many questions; as such we would strongly encourage parental attendance. To support your attendance, there will be a Welcome Week Disco for Year 6 Acklam Grange students only during this time, please arrange childcare for siblings.

Parent/Carers of children who will require support in school will have the opportunity to meet the school SENCO at an additional evening and details about this event will be sent out separately.

Letter to Mr Laidler: I would love to know a little bit about your child before they join the 'Acklam Grange Family' in September and would appreciate them writing to me; they can tell me about their hobbies and interests, hopes and fears (if any) for September or any other information they would like to share with me. The letters can be posted to the address above or, emailed to me, at Y6student@acklamgrange.org.uk. Please include the student's full name and primary school.

Student Transition Document: To ensure your child has a successful transition, we do need your support in providing us with some essential information and request that by Friday 29th May you complete our on-line transition document. It is essential that this document is completed as this will not only provide AGS with necessary information needed before your child starts with us but, will also, give us contact details where we can send information that is personally relevant to you and your child. **Your child will not be able to attend the Induction Week if the form is not completed and submitted.**

To complete the form:

- Access the Transition page at <http://www.acklamgrange.org.uk/transition> or scan the QR code at the bottom over page.
- Click on Transition Documents
- Click on Transition form
- Follow the instructions to register for an account (there is a 'how to' video that talks you through this step, if needed). You need an account before you can complete the transition document.
- Once you have registered you will be sent an email with a link to complete the transition form.
- Log in and complete the form.
- Any questions or issues then please email Y6parent@acklamgrange.org.uk



Communication between AGS and primary schools: Like any family, we place huge importance on communication. A strong partnership between home and school is essential to enable your child to succeed over the next 5 years and I hope that this is the first of many positive correspondences that we have over the coming years. During the next few months, the AGS Transition Team will be in contact with Year 6 teachers to gather helpful transition information. I hope this letter has answered any questions that you may have and please do not hesitate to contact Mrs Dixon our Assistant Headteacher responsible for transition on Y6parent@acklamgrange.org.uk if you do have any questions.

To keep up to date with everything that is happening at the school please follow the school on Facebook and Twitter (details at the bottom of this letter) to see all the exciting and fun activities awaiting your child at Acklam Grange. We hope that your child enjoys their time with us, and we look forward to working in partnership with you over the next five years. Please remember to complete the Student Transition Form and submit it before Friday 29th May.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'M Laidler'.

Mr M Laidler
Headteacher