

March 2024

Dear Parent / Carer,

We are delighted to confirm that your child has been allocated a place at Shoreham Academy in September 2024. We look forward to welcoming them, and to working with you over the next 7 years to support your child and ensure that they leave Shoreham Academy a successful, happy, and confident young person.

We understand that one of the most important aspects of progressing to secondary school for children is that they feel confident and safe. We therefore offer every primary school child coming to us opportunities to participate in events and activities at Shoreham Academy to enable them to become familiar with both the building and members of staff who work here. We hope that you and your child will take the opportunities over the next six months to get to know us.

There will be three transition days at Shoreham Academy on 2nd, 3rd and 4th July. Your child will be invited to spend one of these days with us and you will be invited to attend the transition evening on the same day. This evening will include a presentation, individual parent/student introduction meetings with members of the leadership team and an opportunity to meet your child's mentor.

We will also be inviting your child in for a summer induction day on one of the following days 19th, 20th or 21stAugust. They will spend this day with their mentor group. We will write to you again by the end of June to inform you which of our three schools your child will be placed in, for now please make a note of all these dates in your diary until we can confirm which date your child will be asked to attend. Please note this has now changed to the 4th September rather than during the summer holidays.

We are also pleased to offer an additional online session for parents to attend prior to the main transition sessions. This will be run in conjunction with Action Your Potential (an educational specialist that we work closely with) and will focus on "Supporting your child with the transition to secondary school". This will be on 24th April at 6.30pm to 7.30pm. We will send full details of this event out to primary schools in the next week, and you will also be able to find details on our transition page on the website: https://www.shoreham-academy.org/parents/transition

Another key aspect of the transition process is for us to obtain as much information about our new students as possible to enable us to group students appropriately and ensure that the correct level of support is available for those who may need it. Year 6 teachers are asked to complete detailed pupil information sheets for each student transferring to Shoreham Academy and these are used to build individual profiles of our new year 7 cohort. Our transition and learning support teams then meet with year 6 teachers to obtain additional information. Please note that whilst we do not place students based on friendship groups, we will always seek to ensure they are placed with another child from their primary school and take on board advice and guidance from their current year 6 teacher.

Our school uniform is supplied by Monkhouse and full details are available on our website, together with prices. Monkhouse have a shop at 40 Blatchington Road, Hove, BN3 3YH. You will be able to



view the school uniform at the transition evening and then have the option to purchase items direct from the Hove store or order online using the following link:

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https://www.sussexuniforms.co.uk/collections/shoreham-academy

We very much look forward to meeting you and your child.

Yours sincerely,

Mr Jim Coupe Principal Mrs Lydia Shelley Vice Principal