



Year 7 Transition Evening 2026

About Us

We are part of SHARE Multi-Academy Trust.

Five secondary schools:

- Whitcliffe Mount Academy
- Shelley College
- Thornhill Community Academy
- Royds Hall Academy
- Todmorden Secondary School

Four Primary Schools:

- Millbridge Primary
- Heaton Avenue Primary
- Luck Lane Primary
- Woodside Green Primary



About Us

- 1250 students
- 250 students per year
- 10 form tutors per year group
- 70+ teachers
- 60+ support staff
- 31 feeder primary schools

Academy Priorities

Attendance

Behaviour

Curriculum





Our Philosophy

- Teachers teach
- Students learn



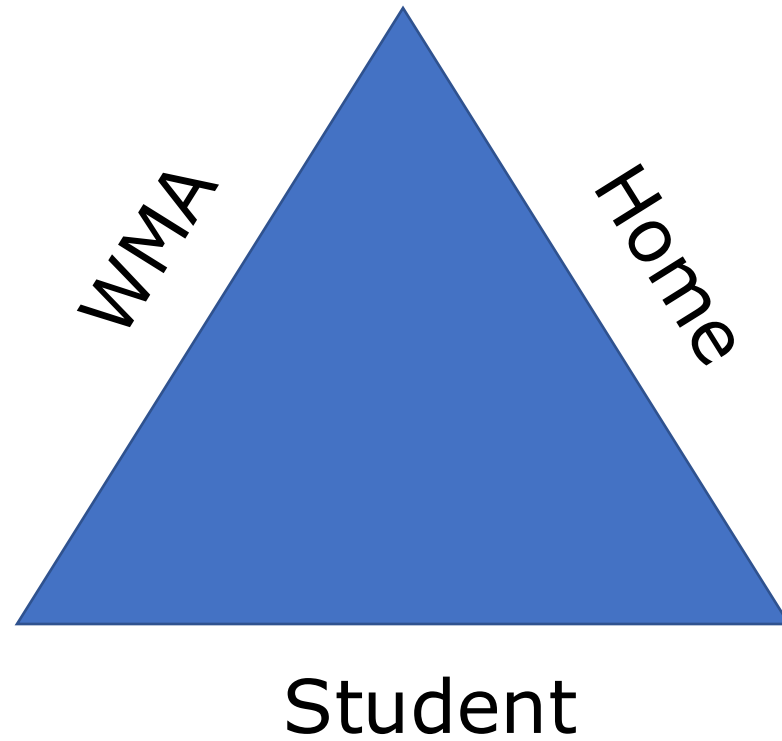
Our Aim

+ Together, we are proud to be our best.

- Happy and safe
- High aspirations
- High expectations
- Supported
- Community



Our Philosophy



Year 6 Worries



“Not making any friends”.

“Being in lessons without my friends”.

“People picking on me”.

“Just getting lost”.

• “Not understanding my timetable”.

Transition Team

Headteacher – Mrs Ali

Transition Lead - Mrs Starkey

Year Leader – Miss Donaldson

SENCO – Mr Clarke

Assistant SENCO – Mrs Hobson

Attendance Team– Mrs Piper & Miss Drake

Admin Manager – Mrs Wood

Admin Team

Year 7 Form Tutor Team



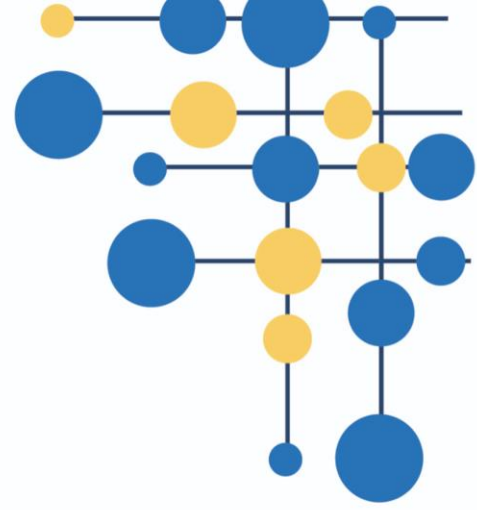


Transition Timeline



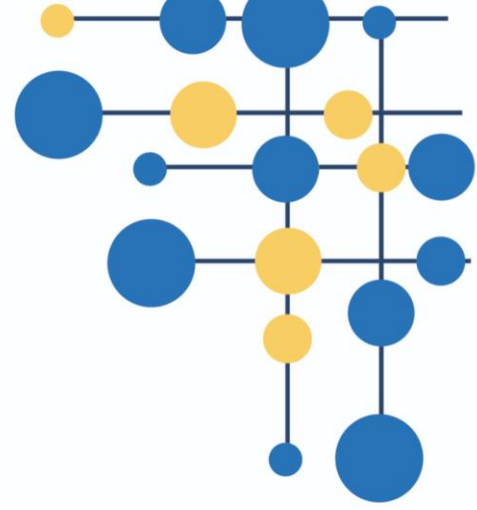
March

- National offer day
- Welcome letter sent to all parents/carers
- Early transition evening
- Meetings with Year 6 teachers begin
- Data collection forms sent out to parents/carers

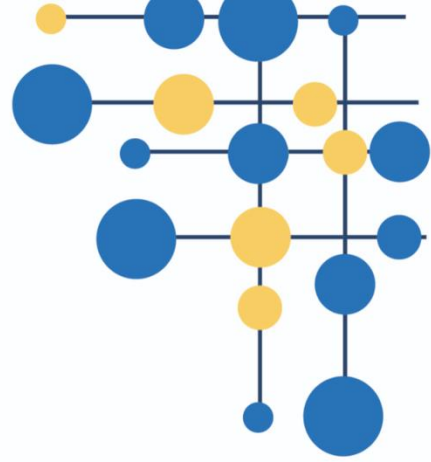


April

- Meetings with Year 6 teachers continue
- Medical forms to be sent to parents for completion for those identified with medical conditions



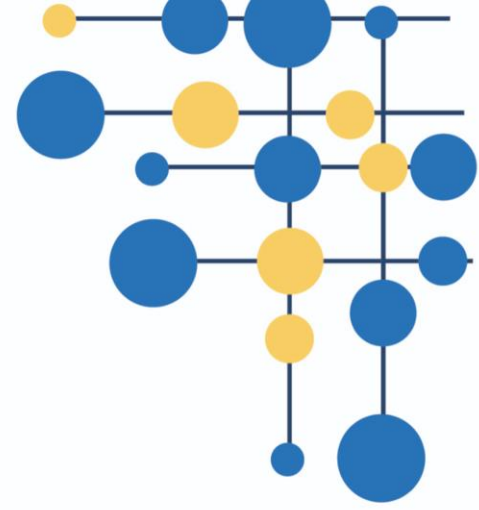
May



- Some student visits to WMA begin (SEND, out of area etc)
- First transition newsletter sent out
- Parent Arbor codes distributed



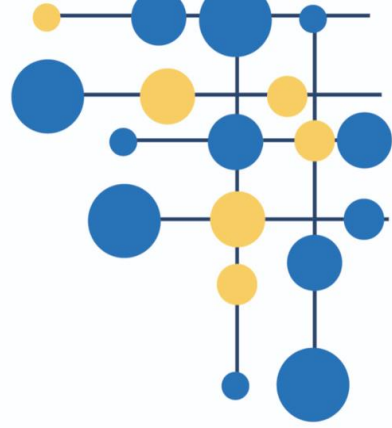
June



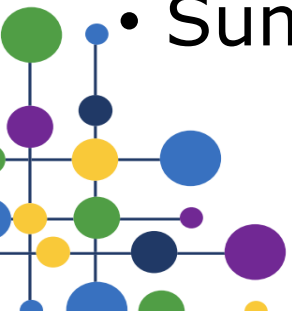
- Student visits to WMA continue
- Students allocated to form groups and Houses – welcome letter sent out
- Second transition newsletter sent to families introducing Yr7 form tutors



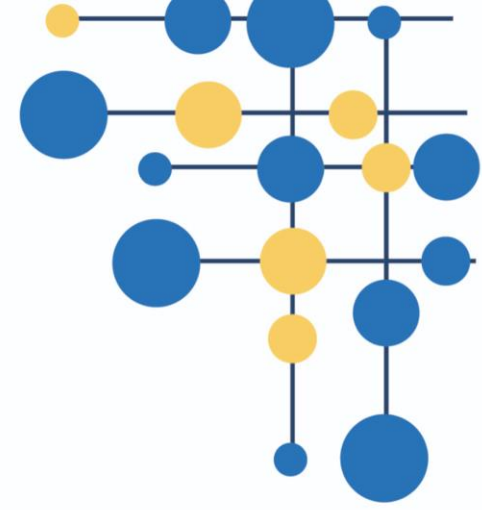
July



- SEND Transition Day (by invite only) - Monday 6th July
- National Transition Day – Tuesday 7th July
- New Year 7 Parents Evening – Monday 6th July @5pm,6pm,7pm
- Transition week – Monday 13th – Friday 17th July
- Summer homework project launched to students



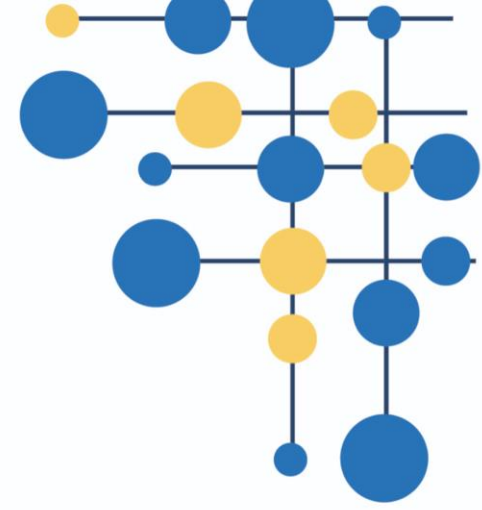
September



- First day at WMA will be Wednesday 2nd September 2026
- Students receive their timetable and lessons begin



October



- 'Keep In Touch' visits commence with primary school staff

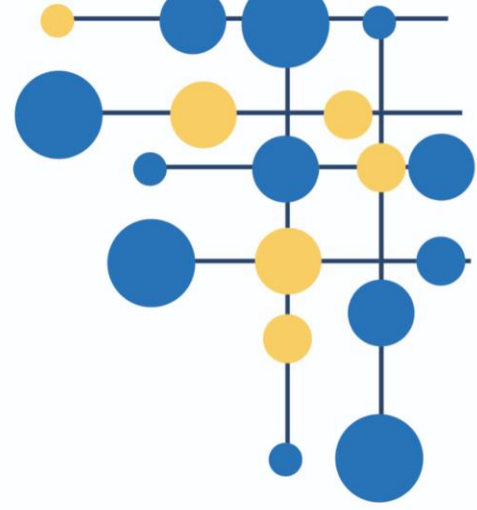


Key Information



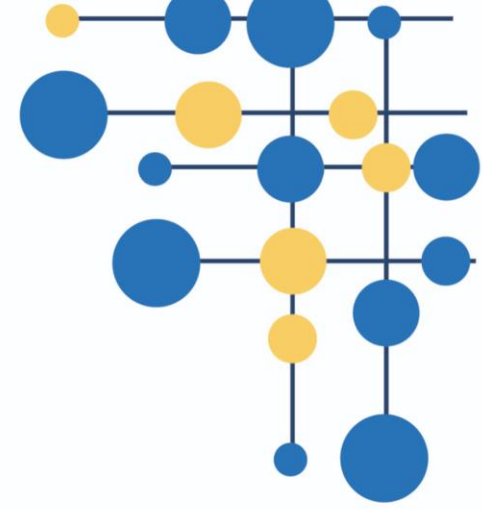
Student Expectations

- Attend every day, on time
- Ensure teachers can teach and students can learn
- Uphold Academy expectations both in and out of school
- Show resilience and independence



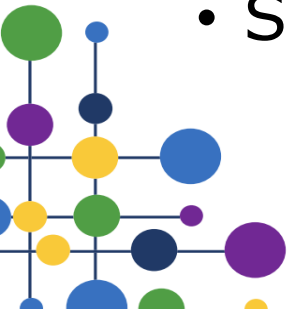
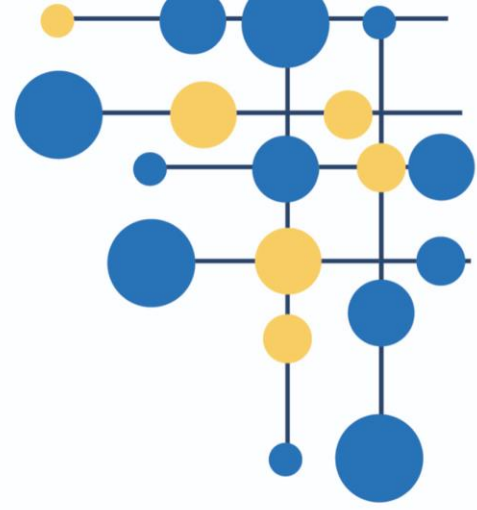
Rewards

- Positive points on Arbor
- Half termly reward events
- Daily positive recognition:
 - Phone calls home
 - Post cards
 - Headteacher rewards
 - Recognition badges



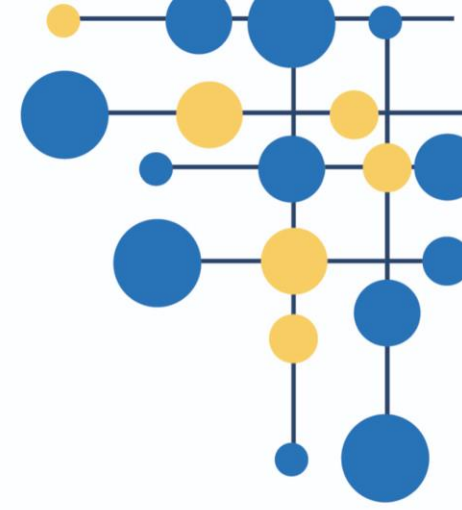
Sanctions

- Our in-class system:
 - Verbal Warning – **nobody should move beyond this**
 - **B1**
 - **B2**
 - **B3** – *30-minute next day detention**
 - **B4** – *Reflection for the rest of the day*
- Reflection room
- Off-site isolation
- Suspension



Mutual understanding

- These are our systems and they work well.
- By sending your child to WMA, you are signing up to agree to our systems and expectations.
- Signing our home-school agreement is part of our transition expectations prior to September.
- We want to welcome you all, but **if you don't agree with what we do, now is the time to speak to us.**



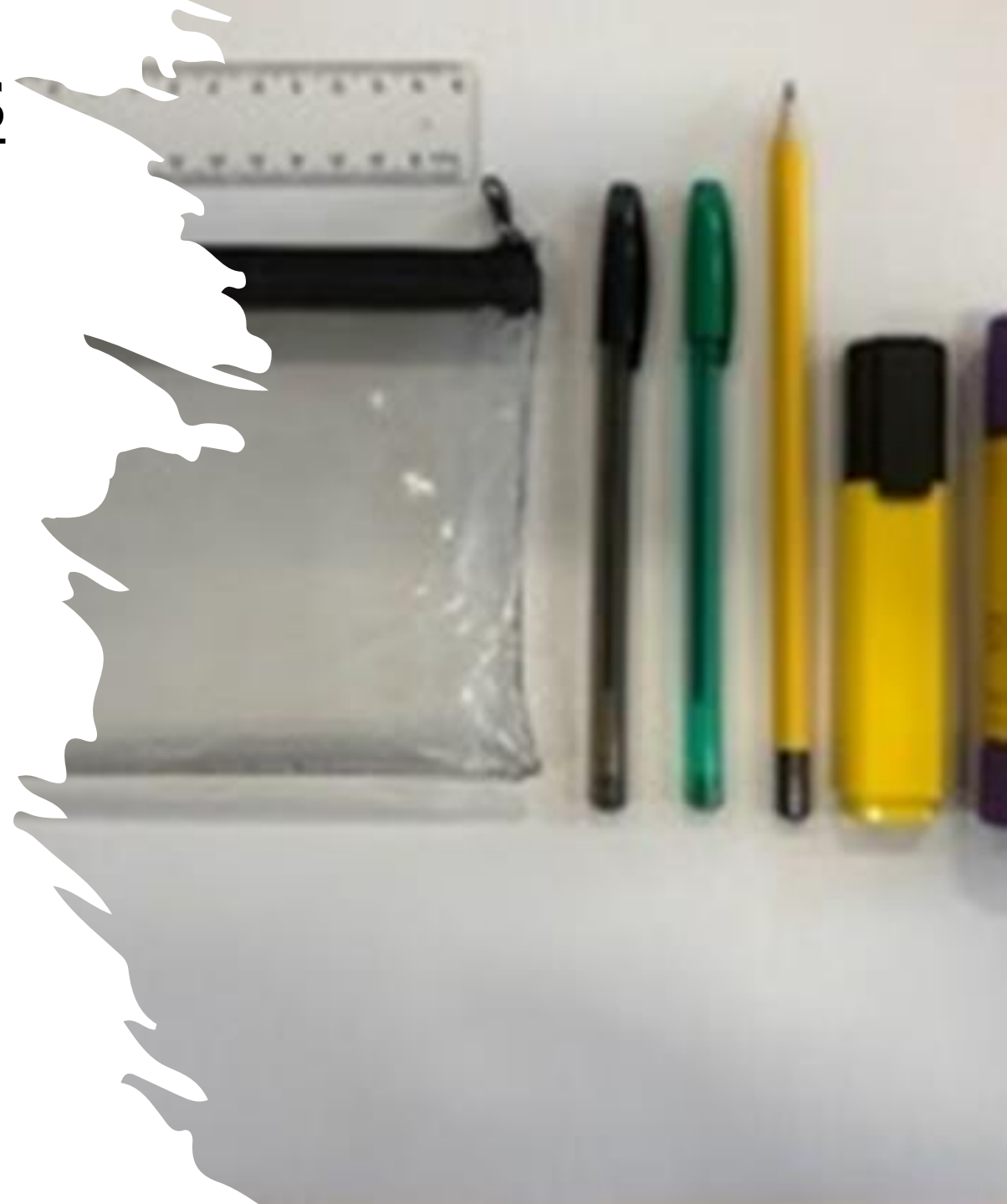
Uniform Expectations

- Black blazer with **WMA logo**
- Black school tie with **blue stripe for Year 7**
- White short sleeved shirt/fitted shirt with collar and **with top button fastened**
- Black plain, **tailored** school trousers - no leggings or jersey material
- Black plain pleated or straight tailored school skirt – **knee length**
- **Plain black school shoes** - no logos, black trainers, Converse, Vans etc

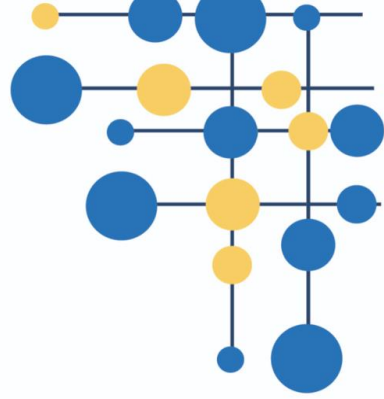


Equipment Expectations

- School bag.
- Exercise books – These will be provided but students will be expected to buy a new one if their books are lost, damaged or graffitied.
- Pencil case including black pens, green pens, pencils, ruler, pencil sharpener, eraser, highlighter, glue stick and a calculator.
- Form tutors will log any missing equipment on Arbor and detentions will be issued.
- **If the basics aren't right, students cannot learn effectively.**



Mobile Phones



If it's on, it's gone!

- Mobile phones need to be switched off and in your bag.
- Your phone will be confiscated if:
 - The phone is turned on whilst on school site
 - The phone is not in your bag throughout the day

Reminders

- Keep checking your emails regularly
- Inform us of any change to personal details
- Respond promptly to communication
- Ensure you and your child attend all available transition activities
- Complete the data collection form
(Thank you to the 195 families that have already completed these)



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proud to be our best.