



**STANGROUND
ACADEMY**



Year 6 Transition

**Important information for
students, parents and carers**

May 2018

Welcome to the Stanground Academy

We are delighted you have chosen our Academy and believe you have made a fantastic decision which will have a positive impact on your child's future. At the Stanground Academy we aim to provide outstanding, personalised support for every student which meets both their pastoral and academic needs. This will allow all students to achieve their full potential.

The move from primary school to a large secondary can be daunting. We recognise this and understand that students and parents need to feel reassured, happy and safe during this transition period. This pack aims to provide information which will help you through the transition process.

If you have any questions between now and the start of term in September, please do not hesitate to contact me. My contact details are on the back of this booklet.

Our vision

To create an outstanding Academy, which serves the needs of our local community and ensures that every student fulfils their potential, with no limit to what they can achieve.

Information about the Sponsor



GREENWOOD ACADEMIES TRUST

The Sponsor of the Stanground Academy is the Greenwood Academies Trust. Information about the Trust can be found online at greenwoodacademies.org and the Chief Executive can be contacted at admin@greenwoodacademies.org.

The Greenwood Academies Trust is a not-for-profit educational organisation. The Trust offers high levels of educational expertise and we seek to deliver long-lasting and productive relationships with the communities we serve.

Our sole purpose is to offer students in our academies an outstanding education. We believe all our students can achieve high levels of success and we create a culture where both our students and staff can thrive.



Wayne Norrie
Chief Executive

Transition Days - 4 & 5 July 2018

This year we are holding two transition days for all year 6 students who are joining the Stanground Academy in September 2018. The purpose of these days is to enable your child to become familiar with our site and the team of staff who will be teaching and supporting them next year. Your child will meet their fellow students and take part in lessons and activities which will help them prepare for their move to the Academy.

Should you require any further information about the day, please contact the year 7 team; details can be found at the back of this booklet.

September starting arrangements

The new term, for year 7 students, will start on Wednesday 5 September 2018. Students should arrive at the Academy site, in full school uniform, by 8.30am where they will be welcomed by Academy staff and prefects.

Uniform

Uniform for years 7 – 11:

- an Academy tie with a traditional white shirt which has a fastened top button and is long enough to remain tucked into trousers or a skirt
- black trousers or skirt. Jeans, cords, hipster, short/ cut-off and tight-fitting trousers are not appropriate. As a rule of thumb, trousers and skirts should be modest; skirts should be no shorter than knee length
- an Academy pullover (purple for years 7, 8 and 9 and black for years 10 and 11), with the Academy logo
- black leather or leather-style shoes that can be polished, with a flat sole and a heel no greater than 2cm in height. No boots or trainers, or trainer-style shoes, are allowed
- a warm coat for the journey to and from the Academy. Denim coats, hoodies (with or without a zip), body-warmer-style coats, tracksuit tops, cardigans and caps are not allowed
- a suitable rucksack-type bag which is large enough to carry all equipment. Handbags are not allowed

Physical education kit for years 7 – 11

- black tracksuit bottoms
- black short-sleeved sports t-shirt with purple panels and the Academy logo
- black long-sleeved reversible sports shirt with purple panels and the Academy logo
- black plain shorts or leggings for girls
- suitable trainers or other sports footwear
- suitable swimming costume

We enforce a strict uniform and presentation policy at the Stanground Academy. Full details can be found in the standards, expectations and pastoral support booklet which can be found in the transition pack or on the Academy website at stangroundacademy.org/uniform.

Additional uniform can be ordered from the Academy website.

Year 6 Parents' Evening - 5 July 2018

Thursday 5 July is the Year 6 Parents' Evening. The success of our Academy is built upon the partnerships we build with parents and carers. This evening is an opportunity for us to begin this process. During the evening you will be given detailed student support information and members of the year 7 team will be available to answer any questions you may have. We would encourage all students to attend with their parents. We look forward to meeting you.

The evening is split into two sessions to accommodate the number of visitors and letters confirming times will be sent to each primary school.

The programme will include:

- a short welcome by the new Principal
- presentations by head of year 7
- a question-and-answer forum
- the opportunity to meet your child's form tutor

Key dates

June 2018	School visits
4 & 5 July 2018	Year 6 Transition Days
5 July 2018	Year 6 Parents' Evening 5.45pm and 6.30pm (please check times with child's primary school)
5 September 2018	First day of term

The Academy day

The Academy day is divided into five different teaching sessions and one tutorial session.

Period	Time frame	Mins
Line up and Tutorial	08.35 - 09.00	25
Period 1	09.00 - 10.00	60
Period 2	10.00 - 11.00	60
Break	11.00 - 11.20	20
Period 3	11.20 - 12.20	60
Period 4	12.20 - 13.20	60
Lunch	13.20 – 14.00	40
Period 5	14.00 - 15.00	60

Students arriving after the start time will be marked late in the register. If no adequate reason for the lateness is offered, students will be expected to make up all the time missed.

Curriculum

The curriculum for year 7 is designed to challenge students to make rapid progress, improve their literacy and numeracy skills and develop a love of learning. We aim to provide a wide range of practical, academic, personal, social and performance skills. In order to support this, students are set by ability from the start of the year and key stage 2 from primary schools CAT data is used to support this setting. The groups are actively reviewed throughout the year to ensure students are correctly placed.

Our curriculum has an emphasis on stimulating student motivation, raising aspirations and lifting expectations, as well as developing team spirit among students to value each other's contribution and to develop in the Academy.

In addition to this we provide a personalised teaching experience for students who require additional support. Our transition group provides a primary-style teaching model for our most vulnerable youngsters. Core lessons are delivered by a primary-trained teacher with full-time teaching assistant support. We believe this provides the best opportunity for these students to make rapid progress, particularly in numeracy and literacy. Students continue to receive specialist teaching in areas such as technology, physical education and the expressive arts. We will contact you directly if we believe this provision is suitable for your child.



Curriculum

Below is an example of a year 7 timetable:

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Tutorial	Tutorial	Tutorial	Tutorial	Tutorial	Tutorial
Period 1	English	Maths	Science	History	Maths
Period 2	Maths	Languages	Ex Arts	PE	Geography
Break					
Period 3	Science	Ex Arts	English	RE	Languages
Period 4	History	Art & Design Technology	Maths	English	Science
Lunch					
Period 5	PE	Geography	Computing	Art & Design Technology	English

Citizenship and personal, social and health education are delivered during tutorial time and extended assemblies throughout the year.

Catering

We do not allow students to leave the Academy site during the school day. Students are encouraged to eat either a school lunch or a packed lunch in our spacious purpose-built dining facilities.

At the Stanground Academy we provide high-quality, reasonably-priced, healthy food options at both break and lunchtime. Our food is cooked on site, using high-quality ingredients, by our committed catering team, led by catering manager Carol Hobbs.

We will provide a free school meal for all students on Transition Days. The Transition Day menu can be found on page 13. The current prices have been included for your information.

Cashless catering system

The Stanground Academy is a cashless catering site; the Stanground Academy uses this cashless system for all purchases of meals in the dining hall. The 'Vericool' system offers you the freedom to make payments whenever you like through a secure online account using your credit or debit card. Making a payment is straightforward and Vericool holds an electronic record of your deposits for you to view along with details of your child's meal purchase history. No card details are stored in any part of the system. Further details of how to register to use Vericool will be sent to you at a later date.

Transition Day menu

Lunch will be provided free to all year 6 students on both transition days

Cheese and tomato omelettes	£1.60	Sandwiches	£1.60
Pasta tomato and basil sauce	£1.60	Mixed salad	55p
Beef lasagne	£1.60	Cheese, ham, tuna etc	50p
Quorn curry	£1.60	Bread roll	25p
Chicken breast	£1.60		
Baked potatoes	80p	Fresh fruit	35p
Creamed potatoes per scoop	25p	Yoghurt	60p
Rice/ wedges	50p	Ice cream sponge roll	60p
Garlic bread	25p	Custard	30p
Carrots	30p	Cakes, biscuits etc from	60p
Cabbage	30p		
Baked beans	30p	Bottled water	60p
		Fruit juice	30p
		Milkshake carton	60p

Meal deals £2.20

- quorn curry, dessert and drink
- cheese and tomato omelette with wedges, baked beans, dessert and drink
- lasagne with garlic bread, salad, dessert and drink
- chicken breast with mash potato, one vegetable, dessert and drink
- sandwich, dessert and drink

Extended opportunities

At the Stanground Academy we aim to develop all aspects of a student's wider education by providing a programme of extended opportunities. We encourage all students to take an active part in our extensive range of extra-curricular activities, which run every day at lunchtime and after school. We would encourage every student to get involved in at least one activity.

Our physical education team offer a diverse range of sporting opportunities for students to develop healthy and active lifestyles. Many get involved for fun and recreation, but in addition competitive sport has a high profile at the Stanground Academy. A large number of students represent the Academy in individual and team sports and have had success at regional and national level.

We also have a significant expressive arts offer for students. This includes opportunities in music, dance and drama. Students are encouraged to perform at a number of events, within and outside of the Academy, which are held throughout the year.

In addition to this we also offer a planned programme of trips and visits to support our curriculum.



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Term Dates 2018/2019

	August 2018					September 2018					October 2018							
M			6	13	20	27		3	10	17	24			1	8	15	22	29
T			7	14	21	28		4	11	18	25			2	9	16	23	30
W		1	8	15	22	29		5	12	19	26			3	10	17	24	31
Th		2	9	16	23	30		6	13	20	27			4	11	18	25	
F		3	10	17	24	31		7	14	21	28			5	12	19	26	
S		4	11	18	25		1	8	15	22	29			6	13	20	27	
S		5	12	19	26		2	9	16	23	30			7	14	21	28	

	November 2018					December 2018					January 2019							
M		5	12	19	26			3	10	17	24	31		7	14	21	28	
T		6	13	20	27			4	11	18	25		1	8	15	22	29	
W		7	14	21	28			5	12	19	26		2	9	16	23	30	
Th	1	8	15	22	29			6	13	20	27		3	10	17	24	31	
F	2	9	16	23	30			7	14	21	28		4	11	18	25		
S	3	10	17	24			1	8	15	22	29		5	12	19	26		
S	4	11	18	25			2	9	16	23	30		6	13	20	27		

	February 2019					March 2019					April 2019							
M		4	11	18	25			4	11	18	25			1	8	15	22	29
T		5	12	19	26			5	12	19	26			2	9	16	23	30
W		6	13	20	27			6	13	20	27			3	10	17	24	
Th		7	14	21	28			7	14	21	28			4	11	18	25	
F	1	8	15	22			1	8	15	22	29			5	12	19	26	
S	2	9	16	23			2	9	16	23	30			6	13	20	27	
S	3	10	17	24			3	10	17	24	31			7	14	21	28	

	May 2019					June 2019					July 2019							
M		6	13	20	27			3	10	17	24			1	8	15	22	29
T		7	14	21	28			4	11	18	25			2	9	16	23	30
W	1	8	15	22	29			5	12	19	26			3	10	17	24	31
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School Holiday



Bank Holiday



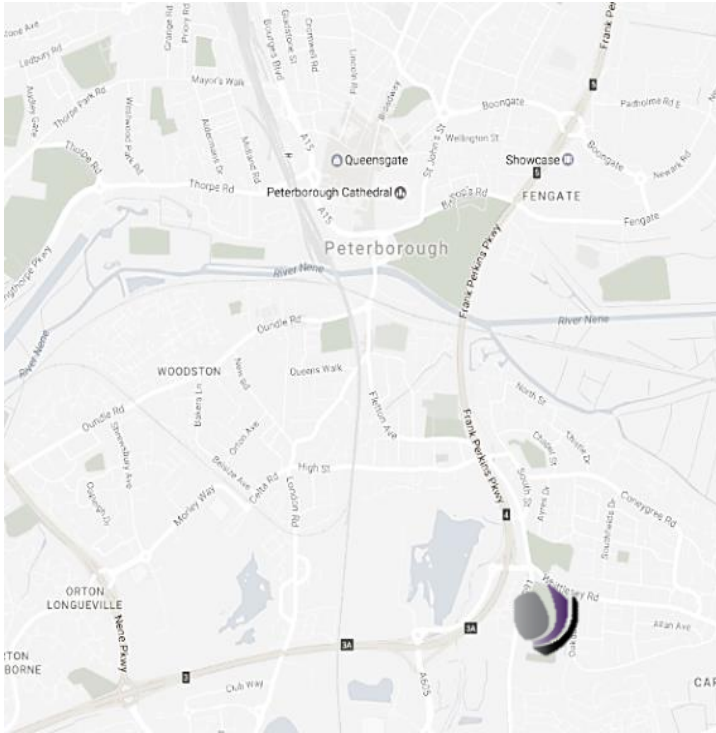
Staff Training Days



Year 7 and sixth form



Open to all students



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