



8th June 2026

Dear Parent(s)/Carer(s),

The Bridge Transition

We are delighted that your child will be joining us in August 2026 and look forward to welcoming them to The Bridge.

At The Hinckley School, the transitional year is one in which new friendships are fostered, academic progress is supported, and each individual character is recognised and celebrated. The spirit of our Bridge community is essential to the Year 7 experience, and we look forward to the contribution your child will make to this.

We know that many students feel a mixture of anticipation and excitement regarding the transition from primary to secondary school. However, our transition programme has been well designed to ensure that your child has a smooth start to the next chapter of their education.

Transition Evening, Wednesday 1st July 5:00pm-6:45pm – Students and parents/carers are invited to attend our Transition Evening. This event will take place prior to the transition days, so that your child will feel more confident when they arrive the following morning. During the evening, you will meet your child's form tutor, peers and members of The Bridge team. You will learn more about what to expect in Year 7 and have the opportunity to ask any questions. The exact arrival time for each family, based on your child's tutor group, will be shared the week of the event.

We are excited to announce that during the evening, all students will be presented with their official school tie as a welcome gift. We are very much looking forward to seeing our new Year 7 students wear their uniform with PRIDE on their first day, which following our INSET Days, we can confirm will be **Wednesday 26th August 2026**. More details about this day will be shared in due course.

Transition Days, Thursday 2nd July & Friday 3rd July – We are thrilled to welcome our new Year 7 students to The Bridge for two transition days. This is the first chance for all of our new students to experience a working day at The Hinckley School. The programme for the two days will include a special transition assembly, ice breaker activities with their new form tutor, as well as academic taster lessons. Our aim is to establish routines and expectations, but most importantly for students to make new friends. In order to support the smooth running of the transition days, we kindly request that your child arrives on site no earlier than 8:40am for an 8:45am start. Staff will be on site to greet them and show them where to go. Students will then leave site at 2:45pm. Please can you ensure that your child is aware of whether they are walking home independently at the end of the day or whether they are being collected. They should attend dressed smartly in their **current** school uniform on both days and bring a packed lunch, including a drink, as well as a pen, pencil and ruler.

Transition Conversations – We are already in contact with Year 6 staff from your child's school. The Bridge Team are enjoying getting to know more about your child through our conversations with primary colleagues. These conversations will help us to formulate our tutor and teaching groups.



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By engaging in these transition activities, we hope that you and your child will feel confident and relaxed about the move to The Hinckley School in August.

Should you have any further questions regarding transition or The Bridge, please do not hesitate to get in touch - thebridge@thehinckleyschool.co.uk

The Bridge Team and I look forward to meeting you all very soon.

Yours faithfully,

Mrs Clarke
Director of The Bridge