

Roman Road Primary School Transition Policy (Including adjustments during COVID period) See also EYFS Policy and Home Visits Policy

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Policy for Transition

This policy has been written for pupils who will be experiencing change at various stages in their school life.

Rationale

- Any change can be a time of stress and upset for a child and the child's family.
- > At Roman Road School, we feel it is important to manage this change sensitively and supportively.
- Excellent communication and direct experience is crucial in order to maximise children's learning, building on their skills, knowledge and understanding which they have already developed.
- > All members of our school community need to feel supported when faced with new challenges and situations.

Equal Opportunities

- > No discrimination will take place regardless of race, gender or disability.
- > Children will be supported equally, according to their needs.

Related Policies, Documents and Other support

- See EYFS Policy.
- > See Home School Agreement.
- > School website offers information about school.
- > Establish links with external agencies already supporting the child.
- Visits to the school / classes for pupils and family Induction for family as parents accompany child to school.
- > Welcome pack and prospectus given to parents.
- > Introduce the Home-School books to parents in the Foundation Stage.

Measures during COVID 19 period

- > (visits limited during COVID).
- > School tours for each key stage on website.
- > No home visits during COVID

WHAT WE DO (see also EYFS Policy for Home Visits)

PRE-NURSERY TO NURSERY (excluding COVID periods)

- Prior to starting Roman Road Nursery, parents are invited to bring their child for visits as necessary.
- > Staff actively encourage the sharing of information with parents on a regular basis.
- > Home visits are carried out prior to children starting, to familiarise with children's learning and starting points

RECEPTION TO YEAR ONE

Re Transition - No home visits during COVID 19 period

- > For new joiners Home visits are carried out prior to children starting, to familiarise with children's learning and starting points. Not during COVID
- 'Moving up' visits to Year 1 classroom.
- > Teacher liaison meeting to share information.
- Writing books start in summer term
- > Teacher and pupils to discuss class rules.
- Reception to Year 1 parents meeting. Not during COVID
- Reception follow year 1 form of teaching for maths and English where applicable
- Medical information passed on to receiving staff.
- Work from previous year passed onto new year 1 teacher.

KEY STAGE ONE TO KEY STAGE TWO

- > End of F5 key stage data passed to year 1 teachers.
- > 'Moving up' visits to next class
- > Children that did not pass their PSC continue to access RWI in year 1.
- > Handover meetings between teachers.
- > SEN, EAL assessment / target tracking reading.
- > Medical information passed on to receiving staff.
- Moderation of writing assessments and target setting shared to ensure progression.
- > Teachers and pupils to discuss class rules.

Year 6 / 7

- > CTF information sent to secondary school.
- > SENCO hand over.
- Meetings with secondary school where necessary. Via Zoom during COVID period
- > Once school places have been offered Y6 team liaise with receiving secondary in their programme which varies between schools
- > Learning mentor takes vulnerable children to their new school to introduce to Learning Mentor. Not during COVID
- > Year 6 Pupils have taster day at Secondary school. Not always applicable during COVID

NB: EAL, SEN, CP and assessment information for year 6 pupils are delivered to a borough secondary school for distribution to ongoing secondary schools.

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