

May 2025

Dear Parents / Carers

Year 6 Transition to Olchfa School

I am delighted to be able to invite your son/daughter to attend four days of transition activities at Olchfa School during the Summer Term. The aim of the days will be to help them gain a better understanding of what life is like at Olchfa and to prepare them for joining us in Year 7 from September.

The transition days will be Tuesday 1st - Friday 4th July 2025. On these days, pupils should arrive at the front of the school by 8.30am and will be dismissed at 3.00pm (2.30pm on Tuesday) from the main entrance. We would be grateful if pupils could wear their usual primary school uniform on these days. On Tuesday, the Bushcraft and Team Building Day will take place on the school field all day, so pupils should wear suitable footwear (e.g. trainers) and shorts/trousers (not skirts/dresses). In the event of light rain, the day will go ahead, so pupils will require a suitable coat in that situation. Complimentary school lunch will be provided on Wednesday - Friday, but a packed lunch will be needed on Tuesday.

Pupils will be placed into class groups for these days, which will be likely to be their form class in September. I would respectfully remind you that we do not take preferences for form placement, but we do aim to place pupils with another child from their primary school as far as possible. This may not be a close friend, but a familiar face. We are not able to release class information until pupils arrive on the first day.

An outline of the arrangements for the transition days, together with some further information, is given at the end of this letter.

This year, we are also able to offer an additional taster session for the following groups of pupils:

- Pupils coming to us from outside our catchment area (i.e. NOT currently attending Parkland, Dunvant, Cila, Hendrefoilan or Sketty Primary Schools).
- Pupils with any additional learning needs who may be particularly anxious about moving to secondary school and would benefit from an additional visit (any school).
- Pupils who may have significant pastoral concerns, who may benefit from an additional familiarisation visit (any school).

The additional session will be held on **Wednesday 25th June 2025 9am-11.00am**. Places are limited and must be confirmed in advance. If you feel that your son/daughter may need to attend this session, please complete the application form by clicking [HERE](#).

I look forward to welcoming your son/daughter to Olchfa and hope that they will find the transition activities to be enjoyable.

Yours faithfully



Mr Julian Kennedy
Headteacher / Pennaeth

Olchfa School - Transition Days Arrangements for Pupils - July 2025

Date	Arrival Time (gather in front of the school's Reception at the front of the building)	Departure Time	Activities Planned	Notes / Reminders
Tuesday 1st July	8.30am	2.30pm	Bushcraft Activity / Teambuilding Day	School field all day. Pupils will need to bring: Packed lunch , hat, sun protection cream, water
Wednesday 3rd July	8.30am	3.00pm	Form group activities, tour of the school. Other activities	Complimentary school lunch provided (optional). Also pencil case (pen / pencil / ruler etc.)
Thursday 4th July	8.30am	3.00pm	Taster lessons - all day	Complimentary school lunch provided (optional). Pencil case
Friday 5th July	8.30am	3.00pm	Taster lessons - all day	Complimentary school lunch provided (optional). Pencil case.