





18th July 2025

Dear Parents/Carers,

We hope that your child enjoyed their transition day on Friday 27<sup>th</sup> June. It was fantastic to see them together for the first time as the Class of 2032. For any new applicants since transition day, a huge warm welcome to Avonbourne Academies. We can't wait to start your child's secondary education journey with you.

We hope you have had the opportunity to read through our Transition Welcome Booklet on the transition pages of our website which should answer any questions you may have about starting with us:

Transition | Students and Parents | Avonbourne Girls' Academy

Transition | Students and Parents | Avonbourne Boys' Academy

In late August you will receive an email from 'Parent Pay' (please check your junk inbox for this if it hasn't arrived by the end of August!). This will give you detailed instructions about how to sign up to our payment portal. As mentioned at our information evenings, we are a cashless school and if your child wishes to purchase food from our canteens or you need to pay for a trip or activity this will all be completed via Parent Pay.

If you have given permission to us to do so, we will be taking your child's fingerprint on their first day for them to begin purchasing food from the canteen should they wish. If you are in receipt of Free School Meals, £2.50 will automatically be added to your child's account each day. They have the option of spending 50p at breakfast or break and £2.00 at lunch or the full £2.50 at lunch time. This does not roll over and a copy of the Autumn Term menu will shortly be on our websites.

A reminder that Year 7 start our Autumn Term on **Friday 5<sup>th</sup> September**. All students will enter via our basketball courts located next to our Visitor Reception. Line ups begin promptly at 8:30 am so we suggest arrival from 8:15 am.

Students are expected to be in full uniform and bring with them their fully equipped pencil case. Our uniform policy and full list of equipment can be found on the 'Uniform and Equipment' pages of our website - Uniform and Equipment

Please ensure you have checked our uniform policy regarding suitable footwear and bags to ensure they meet our Academies expectations.

There is currently a competition being run by Stevensons. See the Flyer below:

**Book Appointments Today Flyer** 

One query each year we receive is regarding the colour of the school trousers due to the various shades of grey you can buy in local stores. The trousers are meant to match the colour of the Stevenson skirt (mid grey) which you can find on the Stevensons uniform site below:

**AVONBOURNE ACADEMIES SKIRT - Stevensons** 

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If purchase any items of stationary from Avonbourne once your Parent Pay account is set up, these will be given to your child on their first day. Please note the calculator required is the one named in the transition booklet on our websites. The 'Casio FX-83GTCW' scientific calculator.

As a recognised Eco School, and in a bid to reduce the impact of plastics on the environment, we are moving away from the sale of bottled drinks in our school canteens in September. Refillable bottles will therefore become mandatory equipment for students. Please do ensure this is named carefully.

If you have any questions, please do contact us via our email address <a href="mailto:classof2032@avonbourneacademy.org.uk">classof2032@avonbourneacademy.org.uk</a> The inbox will be checked at the end of the summer holidays to ensure we support you in the preparation for September.

We hope your child enjoyed their final term at primary school and wish you a wonderful summer break when it arrives.

Yours sincerely,

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