

Transition, School Visits and Induction Guidance for Schools

School Visits:

It is recommended that parents / carers visit any schools they are considering sending their child/ren to. They may also wish to take their child/ren on the visit with them. Whilst it is preferable for this to be before or after the school day, it is understood that sometimes this may need to take place during the school day. If this is for a Powys learner looking for an in-year transfer from another Powys school, then both schools must be aware.

Taster Days:

Attendance at a school without an approved admissions in place cannot take place, this includes 'Taster Days'. A school visit alongside parents / carers, as outlined above, can be undertaken if both schools are aware and in agreement.

Transition from Primary to Secondary (Year 6 to Year 7):

Transition for Year 6 to Year 7 is clearly mandated by the Welsh Government and should be as per the agreed cluster transition plan (also possibly Year 5, particularly for ALN and vulnerable groups, but it must be clearly documented in the agreed and published transition plan).

Key links:

- <https://hwb.gov.wales/curriculum-for-wales/assessment-arrangements/transition-from-primary-to-secondary-school-guidance>
- [The Transition from Primary to Secondary School \(Wales\) Regulations 2022](#)
- [Requirement for the Production of Transition Plans and Guidance 2022](#)

Open Evenings:

Opportunities for Year 6 (and possibly year 5) learners to visit the secondary school that they may be attending in Year 7 are valuable opportunities for learners and their families. They provide an opportunity to hear about the Areas of Learning, curriculum, well-being and inclusion support and any other extracurricular activities and clubs available at the school. They should always be 'Open Evenings' and not 'Open Days'.

Transition / Induction for In-Year Transfers:

Transition days or induction days should only take place if there is an approved and accepted admission in place and if both schools are aware and in agreement. This should be a limited number of days, and the learner must be on roll at one school, not frequently attending two.

Agreed transition days should be B coded by the school that the learner is on roll at, as long as it is confirmed that the learner attended for the agreed session/s at



the school that they are moving to.