



The Grange School

Transition - Sept 2026



Parent/Family Handbook

All families will have been given a copy of the **Parent Handbook** on arrival.

An electronic copy of the handbook & this presentation will be uploaded to our website after tonight's meeting on the transition page:

[Transition - The Grange School](#)



Purpose of this Presentation



1) To reinforce The Grange School's expectations of:

- Parent/Family Engagement
- Uniform (p.5)
- Attendance (p.8)
- Behaviour (p.12)
- Homework (p.11)
- Equipment (p.6)

2) To meet some key members of staff (p.2)

3) To ask any questions you may have

Parent Engagement – Home School Agreement

This is a partnership between:

- The Grange School
- Parents/Family
- Student

This is included in your **online** transition forms – you will have already signed this.

It is important that we all play a part in your child's education.

We will be inviting further family involvement in other areas of our school community e.g. completing feedback surveys, PTA (Friends of The Grange).



Working together
for our children's
education.



THE GRANGE SCHOOL HOME - SCHOOL AGREEMENT



PARENTS/CARERS; *I/We shall aim to*

- Support all of the school's Policies, Guidelines and Sanctions
- Make sure my child goes to school daily and on time, notify the school if my child will be absent.
- Support the school to make sure my child maintains the highest standards of behaviour and uniform
- Make sure my child is properly equipped for lessons.
- Communicate with the school any issues that might affect my child's learning or behaviour
- Encourage my child to do their best so they can reach their full potential
- Make sure communication with the school is respectful
- Support my child in homework and other opportunities for out of class learning
- Engage in parents' meetings and work together with the school in order to achieve the best outcomes for my child
- Read all communications sent home by the school and respond where necessary
- Only take holidays during our school holiday times

Name: _____ Signature: _____ Date: _____

Key Members of Staff

The Role of the Form Tutor

- First point of contact for families with the school – email is always best!
- The member of staff with responsibility for monitoring the progress (both academic and social) of each student in the tutor group and alerting the relevant staff if there are any areas of concern.
- Responsible for the routine administrative matters, e.g. taking the register, checking uniform, monitoring punctuality / homework completion / attitude and behaviour.
- Responsible for the fostering of a group identity.

Leadership & Management of Year 7 Miss N Glenister

Head of Year 7 DISC = Mr S Walsh	Head of Year 7 OVER = Miss K Pollard-Ohara
7D Miss S Palmer	7O Mr R Baker
7I Mrs S James-Morgan	7V Mr C Dharsey
7S Mrs G Charles	7E Mrs A Kirk
7C Miss Shelton & Mrs Arun (Fri)	7R Mr I Walpola

Uniform

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A uniform list is provided on the website:

<https://www.grange.bucks.sch.uk/parents/school-uniform>

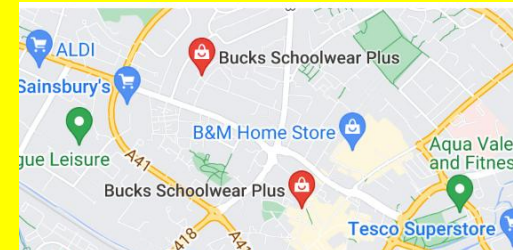
- Black shoes are expected, not a variation of a trainer or canvas shoe.
- No hooded sweat tops (Hoodies).
- School trousers must be the approved style – no jeans/leggings/ 'skinny' trousers.
- Coats must be black or navy blue.
- 1 pair of small stud earrings & a watch can be worn.
- Neutral nails and natural hair colouring.
- Blue/black hair accessories.

All uniform items can only be purchased online through the Price & Buckland website, locally from Bucks Schoolwear Plus or other retail stores with approved styles.

Price & Buckland
SCHOOLWEAR SINCE 1959

Welcome to your online school uniform shop

<https://price-buckland.co.uk/>



Bucks Schoolwear Plus
The Vale Industrial Estate
HP19 9EW

Our PTA also have a second-hand uniform supply.



Email
pta@grange.bucks.sch.uk
Or find them on
Facebook: 'Friends of The Grange School – Aylesbury'

Pre-Loved Uniform Sale

Organised by our PTA – Friends of the Grange



Friends of The Grange hold events for families such as a quiz night, shopping evenings etc and support the school with refreshments at parents' evenings.

If you are able to join them to volunteer or join the committee, they are here tonight for people to sign up - they rely solely on families to volunteer.

We ask families to support through easy fundraising too. Going through this website anytime you buy online gives a donation back to the school. The Buckinghamshire Lottery also gives money back to the school with every £1 you spend.

The poster features a photograph of a young girl in school uniform (blue shirt, striped tie, and blue plaid skirt) with her arms raised in celebration. The background is a blurred image of other students in a school hall. Overlaid on the image is a large blue and yellow graphic. The text 'PRE-LOVED UNIFORM' is in large, bold, yellow capital letters. Below it, 'Sale' is written in a large, yellow, cursive font. To the right, a white box with a blue border contains the text 'FRIDAY 10 JULY', '2.30PM - 3.30PM', and 'SCHOOL HALL' in blue. At the bottom, a line of text reads: 'An opportunity to buy items of good, used condition school uniform including blazers, shirts, skirts, trousers, PE kit, coats and shoes.' A circular logo for 'Friends of THE GRANGE' with the school crest and hands is also visible.

PRE-LOVED UNIFORM

Sale

FRIDAY 10 JULY
2.30PM - 3.30PM
SCHOOL HALL

An opportunity to buy items of good, used condition school uniform including blazers, shirts, skirts, trousers, PE kit, coats and shoes.

****no P.E. kits left ☹***

Attendance

Attendance is a serious matter.

Our school target for attendance is 97%

Families should:

- Ensure that children leave on time for school every day.
- **Contact the school by your Bromcom 'My Child at School' app** or telephone for children's absences from school EACH DAY: 01296 390919
- Endeavour not to take children out of school in term time for holidays, appointments etc.
- Keep in contact with us if there are problems with your child's attendance.

Your child's attendance is closely monitored and you may be contacted if a concern arises.



Every School Day Counts!

0 Days off School	100%	Perfection!
2 Days off School Each Year	99%	Excellent
5 Days off School Each Year	97%	Good
10 Days off School Each Year	95%	Slight Concern
20 Days off School Each Year	90%	Concerned
30 Days off School Each Year	85%	Very Concerned
5 days absence over the whole year 97-100% Good chance of success and progress	20 days absence over the whole year 90% Less chance of success. Harder to make progress	5 days absence over the whole year Under 90% Detrimental to success and progress

Grange School Target 97%



The School Day for Year 7

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Students should arrive by 8.25am. They will meet their form tutors every morning on the main playground and therefore must enter via the playground gate (bus lane side of school).

Year 7 students will share their break and lunchtime with Year 9 and Year 11 students.

In Year 8, 10 (& 6th Form) their lesson times will change.

Students are asked to move quickly and quietly to their next lesson. A bell signals the changeover of lesson time and a whistle at the end of break/lunch if outside.

Arrival Time	8.25 am
Tutor Time	8.30 am – 8.55 am
Lesson 1	8.55 am – 9.55 am
Break	9.55 am – 10.20 am
Lesson 2	10.20 am – 11.15 am
Dear Time (drop everything and read)	11.15 am – 11.30 am
Lesson 3	11.30 am – 12.25 pm
Lunch	12.25 pm – 1.05 pm
Lesson 4	1.05 pm – 2.05 pm
Lesson 5	2.05 pm – 3.00 pm

Equipment

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A sensible bag is required – most students carry their bags with them from lesson to lesson.

Lockers are available through request. The website for the locker company we use is <https://www.ilsschools.co.uk> and a direct link can be found in the 'parent' section of the school's website.

A reading book is required for DEAR time each day.

A pencil case containing:

- Appropriate pens (At least 2 pens – blue or black)
- Pencils & pencil sharpener
- Green pen (for self-marking)
- 30cm ruler
- Colouring pencils
- Glue Stick
- Scientific calculator
- Maths Set

It is desirable for students to also have:

- A dictionary
- A small notebook



Behaviour: Classroom Expectations

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The Grange School believes that it is important to create an environment in which staff can teach and students can learn.

It is based on the clear values of respect, fairness and inclusion.

This has been designed together with our 'Skippers' →

Student Charter
At The Grange We Expect: **WE CAN**

- Manners** Be courteous to staff and students.
- Attendance** Turn up on time every day.
- Noise** Move quietly around the school.
- No Litter** Look after your environment.
- Equipment** Be equipped to learn.
- Respect** For each other and the adults you work with.
- Smartness** Look outstanding, not standing out.

With special thanks to A.P, M.Y, E.W, A-R, B, A.C, D.N, O.G-G and B.Y.

Behaviour – Traffic Lights

To reduce low level disruption in class, we follow a traffic light system which will be explained to your child fully in September.

If a student is removed from class – this is often referred to as a '**traffic light removal**'. This results in a **restorative conversation (RC)** after school on the same day for up to 15 minutes, 30-minute detention and 4 behaviour points.

Families are notified of all behaviour points and detentions via Bromcom.

Our Behaviour Policy can be found in the 'Policy' section of the school website:

[School Policies - The Grange School](#)

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Behaviour for Learning Traffic Light



If you continue past your final warning, you will be removed from class and will need to engage in a Restorative Conversation and a call home.

Final Warning and Restorative Conversation

Verbal Warning

Verbal Reminder



Bromcom

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At The Grange School we use Bromcom as a channel for communication from School to families and students.

Bromcom is an application you can download on your smart phone or access via the internet, which outlines how your child is getting on in school with regards to **Achievement, Behaviour and Attendance**. Reports can also be viewed and accessed to review your child's progress (up to 3 times a year).



The app for families (parent/carers) is called 'My Child at School'.



The app for students is called 'Bromcom Student App'

We encourage both families and students to **regularly access the application** via the app on a smartphone or the internet. Daily access is most ideal, but the minimum recommendation is weekly.

All log in details will be sent to families via email on 8th July 2026 – you can set up the app prior to September.



All log in details for students will be given to them in Sept 2026.

Bromcom on our website- [Bromcom - The Grange School](#)

Weekly Parent/Carer Bulletin

Each Friday, we send out our weekly communication in a 'bulletin-style' newsletter via email. It is important your email stays up to date.

This has links to letters that apply to the whole school as well as ones that apply to specific year groups.

It also includes dates for your diaries, school focus for that time as well as a few pictures to round up the week.

You will receive data reports and communication separately for smaller groups of students e.g. SEND, intervention groups, class groups



PARENT AND CARER WEEKLY BULLETIN
9-13 JUNE 2025

WHOLE SCHOOL & KEY STAGE CORRESPONDENCE

Please follow the yellow underlined links for more information!

[Friends of The Grange School Pre-Loved Uniform Sale](#)

[Bromcom - My Child at School App - Please do download this app if you haven't done so already.](#)

[Sports Day Reminders](#)

YEAR GROUP CORRESPONDENCE

Year 7

- [Author Visit](#)
- [Future Skills Questionnaire](#)

Year 8

- [Future Skills Questionnaire](#)

Year 9

- [Future Skills Questionnaire](#)

Year 10

- [Mock Examinations and KS4 Options in Class Assessments](#)
- [Apprenticeship Academy](#)
- [Reports are LIVE on Bromcom](#)

Year 11

- [Results Day 2025](#)

Sixth Form

- [Year 12 Future Skills Questionnaire](#)
- [Results Day 2025](#)
- [Year 12 Reports Live on Bromcom](#)
- [Apprenticeship Academy](#)
- [Year 12 Job Opportunity](#)
- [Year 13 IT Support Apprenticeship Opportunity](#)

ON THE HORIZON

Friday 20 June - Sports Day
Tuesday 24 June - Year 6/7 Author Visit - Matt Goodfellow
Thursday 26 June - Key Stage 4/5 Awards Evening
Tuesday 1 and Wednesday 2 July - Year 6-7 Transition Days
Tuesday 1 July - Transition Evening for Parents and Carers
Friday 4 July - Year 4 and 5 Football Festival (Year 10 supporting)
Monday 7 July - Summer Showcase
Wednesday 9 July - Year 9 Parents Evening (Virtual)
Thursday 10 July - Year 11 Prom at Missenden Abbey
Friday 11 July - Friends of The Grange School Pre-Loved Uniform Sale

Homework

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Teachers will use **Bromcom** to set Homework from September.

Students are expected to do regular homework. An item of homework may sometimes extend over a period of 2 weeks. We ask families to support their children in managing the spread of their homework.

In Key Stage 3, English, Maths, Science and Languages should have a piece of homework each week. These pieces should take approx. 40 minutes to complete.

Other subjects which have fewer lessons will set homework at least once a fortnight. Drama and PE are exceptions to this; they have homework once per half term.

If there is an issue regarding homework, families should contact the teacher who set the homework in the first instance.

Every day from 3-4pm, we have 'Homework Club'. This is in IT rooms and has members of staff there to support. Students can use the internet and printers to complete their homework.

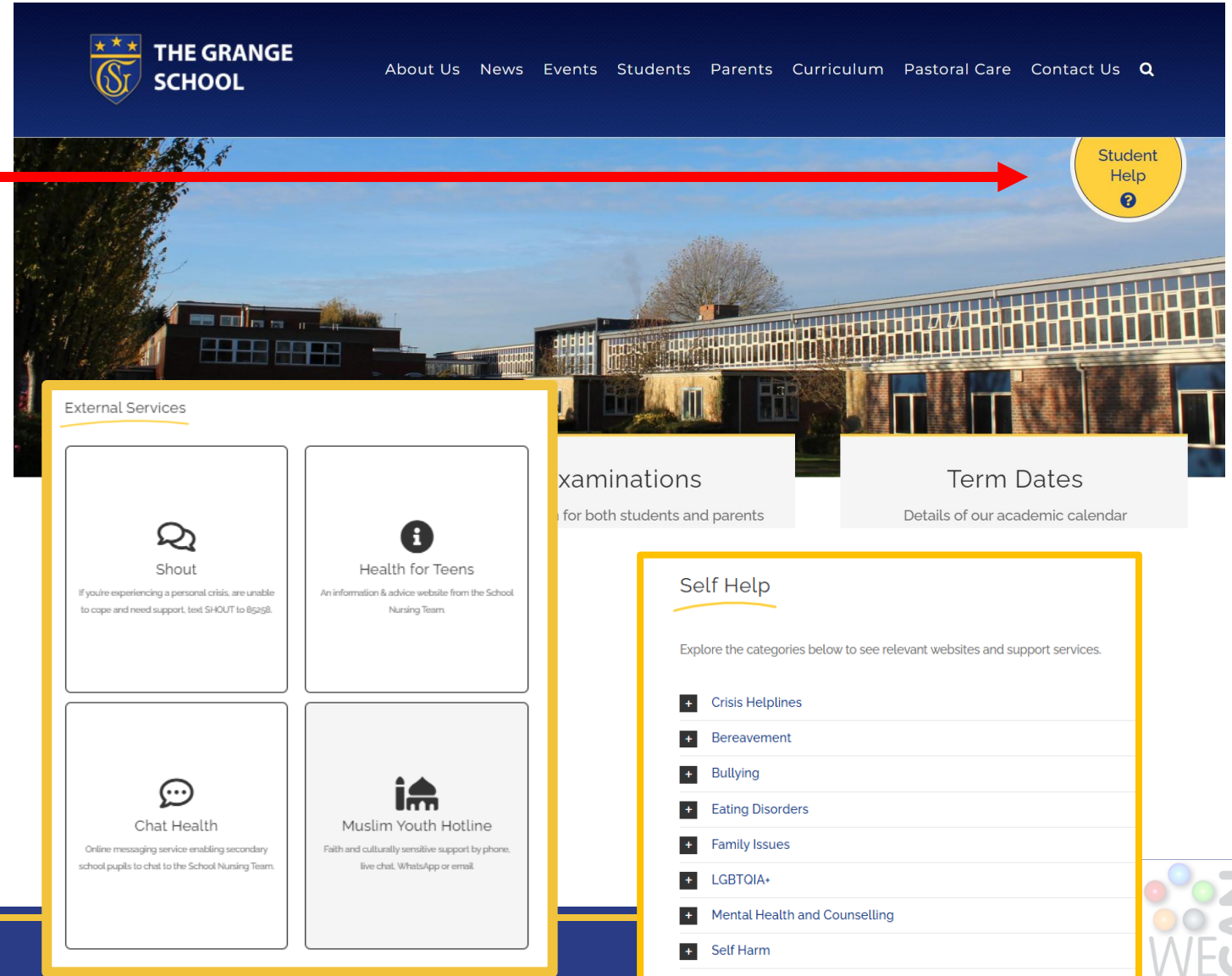


Student Support

On every page of our website, students can access support via the 'Student Help' button.

This allows students to access the Student Support Team at Stapleton House as well as external services such as Health for Teens and Shout.

We work closely with the Bucks Mental Health Support Team (MHST) as well as staff from Health for Teens who come into school regularly to promote their services.



Frequently Asked Questions – Mobile Phones

We **discourage** students from bringing mobile phones into school but understand there is a safety element to students having a phone for travel to/from school.



If students bring them into school, they do so at their own risk and they **MUST** be switched off at all times during the school day. Phones must not be seen, heard or used on site.

Students using mobile phones in school will have them confiscated and families will be informed if this is the case.

1st time in a half term = returned at 3pm same day

2nd time in a half term = returned on Friday at 3pm of that week (unless collected by parent/carer)

3rd time in a half term = returned on Friday at 3pm of that week parents will be contacted by the Year Team Leader



The mobile phone policy is on our website: [School Policies - The Grange School](#)

We value your support in ensuring a safe and happy learning environment.

Frequently Asked Questions – Online Safety

Students are taught about how to keep themselves safe online at The Grange School.

However, outside of school, it is important that families take responsibility for appropriate online and social media use.

Each month, we send out an 'online safety newsletter for families and our website has support for parents and students too in our safeguarding section:

[Safeguarding - The Grange School](#)

What are the age restrictions on social media?

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Facebook
Twitter
Instagram
Snapchat
TikTok
Kik
Ask.fm
Houseparty
Periscope
Tumblr
Reddit
Pinterest

13+
Whatsapp
YouTube
WeChat
Whisper
Yubo
(13+ means with parental consent)

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LinkedIn

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Tinder
Bumble

About to change under new UK law – approx. early 2027

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Frequently Asked Questions – SEND

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A child with an Educational Health Care Plan should have already had a meeting with one of our SENDCo's and this plan will be carried over from primary school.

All other students with SEND needs identified at primary will be monitored closely over the first half term and a SENDCo will contact home to discuss next steps in their support.

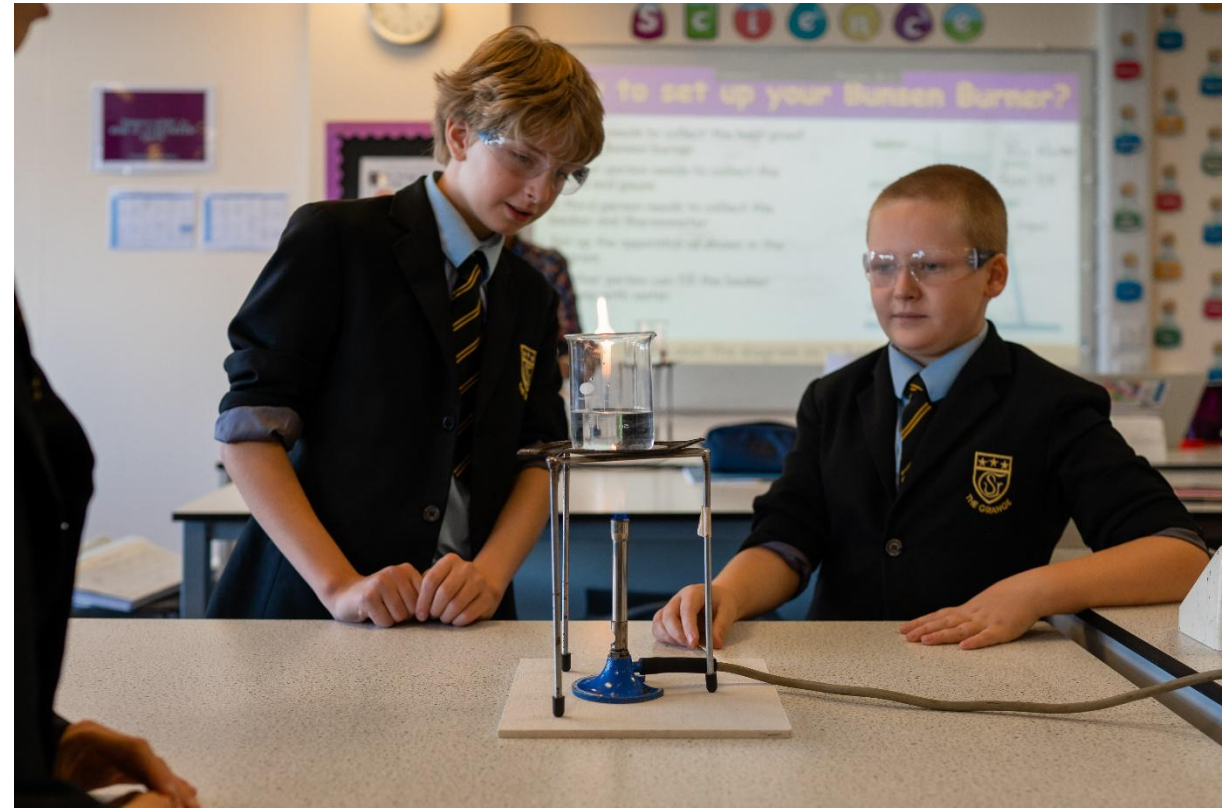
There is information on our website for Support for Learning but if you wish to discuss specifics about your child then please contact Mrs Millar (SENDCo for DISC) and Mrs Radford (SENDCo for OVER) or Mrs Jackson Assistant Headteacher for Support for Learning.

emillar@grange.bucks.sch.uk (from Sept 2026)

eradford@grange.bucks.sch.uk

Information on our website:

[Support for Learning - The Grange School](#)



Frequently Asked Questions – School Canteen

- Open from 8.10am for breakfast and closes at 4pm everyday.
- Currently offering free porridge each morning for students.
- A range of hot and cold food is available at different locations.
- A different main meal everyday with a drink and dessert is prepared fresh onsite everyday. Menus and prices can be found on our website: [Catering - The Grange School](#)
- Canteen has just been extended and is now approx. double in size.
- Payment by biometric (fingerprint) system.
- Students can eat their food (canteen or packed lunch) in the canteen or outside on picnic benches under canopies.
- Top up online via the 'my child at school' app or in school.
- Information and an application form regarding Free School Meals (FSM) can be found on our website: [Free School Meals - The Grange School](#). A printed copy can be collected in the main foyer this evening or via main reception between 8am-4pm.



Frequently Asked Questions – Transition Buddies

Current Year 9, soon to be Year 10, have applied and been chosen to support your children through the transition process.

Each form group has 5-6 buddies. They will be with your children on both transition days. In September, they will pick up your children from their classrooms and take them to their next lesson, lunch etc.

They are approachable, friendly and are a good source of information for your children.



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Frequently Asked Questions – September 2026



Your children's first day will be **Thursday 3rd September at 8.25am.**

They will need to enter the school via the bus lane gates and meet their form tutors on the main playground before being escorted to their form rooms for AM registration.

They will need to be in full Grange School uniform with a fully equipped pencil case. They will not need a PE kit on their first day. We recommended your children having a packed lunch for the first two weeks or so or until their fingerprints are scanned (this can take up to 3 weeks).

Frequently Asked Questions – Parents Evenings

You will be invited to join us at a Form Tutor Parent Evening in the Autumn Term to check in with your child's form tutor. This is only for Year 7 parents/carers.

Later in the year, you will be invited to a 'whole school' parents evening, where you will be able to meet your child's teachers to discuss their progress.

We hold Parents Evenings once a year. These dates will be shared with you in September and are face-to-face in school.



Finally...

We have created a Facebook Page set up specifically for Parents/Carers with children joining The Grange School in September 2026.

Search for **'The Grange School Year 7 Starters - Sept 2026'**.

You can keep updated with information and ask any questions in an open forum-style, friendly community which is overseen by the Transition Team at The Grange School. This will be monitored throughout the Summer Holidays.

Alternatively, you can email us at transition@grange.bucks.sch.uk if you have specific questions about your child.



The Grange School Year 7 Starters - Sept...

Posted by Hootsuite

1 Jun · 🌐

👋 Welcome Back to Summer Term 2 🙌

We hope you enjoyed the May half term break - a ROASTING one! 🥵

We are looking forward to meeting more of our new cohort this week with visits to St Edwards, Haddenham, Ashmead and Haydon Abbey 🏰

See you all very soon 😊

#SchoolCommunity #BackToSchool





Thank you for your time this evening. Your support is appreciated.

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