

KINGS



YEAR 6 TRANSITION TO
SECONDARY SCHOOL - 2024



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INTRODUCTION

This booklet has been carefully put together in order to provide families of children moving into Year 7 with as much information and advice as possible, so that the transition from primary to secondary education is as smooth and stress-free as it can be.

TRANSITION

Transition is a part of life we all deal with in our own ways. To try to make transition easier for both children and parents, communication is vital. It is important parents are involved in this process alongside their children and so we aim to make this a positive experience for all. Our aims and outcomes for this programme are:-

- Preparing for change
- Building confidence
- Assisting pupils' learning, social and intellectual development
- Providing new working experiences and environments
- Giving opportunities to work as a team



WELCOME FROM THE HEADTEACHER

Welcome to the Kings' School family. We hope that you and your child are excited and happy at the prospect of starting with us.

We know that the transition from Year 6 can be a daunting prospect, both for pupils and for parents. Please be reassured that every year, hundreds of young people successfully make the change and our experience at Kings' is that any early anxieties quickly disappear. The school is a friendly and welcoming place and we have a large team of staff and pupils working to support our newest families.

Kings' is an exciting, safe, inspiring and caring school. Our mission is “working together” to enable all pupils to achieve inspiring futures, exceptional character and academic excellence. This begins with our transition events and our summer school, and continues with your official start in September.

I hope that you will find this booklet useful and I look forward to meeting and working with you over the next five years to achieve our shared ambitions.



Dr James Adams
Headteacher



TRANSITION TIMELINE

(All events are subject to Government Guidelines regarding public gatherings)

The timeline below lists all the events that will take place between now and when your child joins us in September. The events are displayed chronologically, and the following pages give more information about each event.

SPRING TERM	SUMMER TERM	SUMMER HOLIDAYS	SEPTEMBER
Year 6 Parents Informal Coffee Event 26 th March 9.30am	Year 6 Parents Informal Coffee Event 26 th April 1.30pm	Year 6 Summer School 24th/25th July 29th /30th August	Year 7 First Day of Term 3rd September
	Year 6 Induction Days 24th/25th June 2nd/3rd July		
	Year 6 Parents Information Evening 3rd July 6pm		

COFFEE EVENTS

We hold two Coffee Events at the school, where you can come and meet some key staff members and ask any questions. It is our aim to have someone from Welfare, Admissions, Uniform and Pastoral available on the day.

Please let us know you plan to attend using the link on our webpage <https://kings-hants.com/admissions-year-6-transition/>

SUMMER SCHOOL

Our Summer School runs on 4 different dates during the Summer Holidays and cost £35 per day. This year they will be held on 24th and 25th July, and 29th and 30th August. Each day has multiple activities, and each day's selection is different, so no two days are the same. Your child can attend as many or as few days as you wish.

We group the children with others who will be in their Tutor Group when they join us in September, in order to help them to make friends and recognise familiar faces on their first day.

You can book spaces using the link on our webpage as above.

UNIFORM CHECKLIST

Compulsory School Uniform			
David Luke black gold crested eco blazer boys or girls		Black slim leg trousers Or David Luke grey stitched down knife pleat skirt DL972	
William turner striped tie with single crest			
White shirt long or short sleeves		Black or grey plain socks or Black grey or natural plain tights	
Black School Shoes		School Rucksack	
Compulsory PE Kit			
Precision Attack black games shorts		Woodbank white polo shirt with gold embroidered crest	
Halbro reversible maroon and white hooped Jersey with crest		Mitre Mercury contrast Maroon and white socks	
Plain black swimsuit (girls) Or Swim shorts (boys)		Plain white sport socks	
Studded boots		Trainers	
Compulsory Equipment			
William Turner PE Bag RS10 (Must have name label)		Gum shield	
Shin pads		Plain Apron	
Optional Items			
PE maroon sweatshirt with gold embroidered crest		School Uniform jumper Maroon Jumper with gold crest	
PE Plain black tracksuit bottoms		PE Plain black waterproof sports jacket for extreme wet weather only	

Items in red can only be purchased through Hewitts school shop online

UNIFORM EVENT

Hewitts of Croydon will be holding a one-day uniform event on **Saturday 13th July**. You will need to book a time slot to attend this event.

The event will take place in our Sports Hall and will provide an opportunity to try on uniform before purchase.

To help us to ease crowding and reduce queue times, please visit the event link on our [data collection site](#) and book your time slot.

Uniform can also be purchased from Hewitts online. You can find the Kings' School area of their online sales here <https://www.hewittsofcroydon.com/school-kings-school-winchester-direct-to-parent-99>

LOCKERS

We have a number of lockers available for hire to pupils. The cost of hiring a locker is £25 for five years which is non-refundable.

If you are eligible for Pupil Premium funding and would like to use this funding to pay for locker hire for your child, please contact Mrs Jenkins at transition1@kings-winchester.hants.sch.uk.

In order to simplify the payment process for locker requests for new Year 7 pupils joining us in September, you can now use the link <https://app.parentpay.com/ParentPayShop/Uniform/Default.aspx?shopid=116> and scroll to find the New Year 7 Locker tile. When purchasing, you will be asked to enter your child's Tutor Group. Please type "new" in this space.

Once added to the basket, payment can be made by card, and a locker will be allocated accordingly. Your child will receive the details in September.

Regrettably, because of problems that have arisen in the past, children cannot share a locker with a friend.

YEAR 6 INDUCTION DAYS

Monday 24th/Tuesday 25th June
and Tuesday 2nd July/Wednesday 3rd July 2024

Please note: It is expected that all children who will be joining Kings' in September will attend their specified Induction Day.

Your child will be invited to spend the day with us at Kings' on one of the four dates listed above, details of which date they should attend will be sent separately.

Please ensure that your child arrives at school between 8.30 and 8.45 am with a packed lunch, or if your child would like to sample Kings' in-house cuisine, there will be a free meal provided for every pupil.

It would be helpful if pupils could bring with them a notebook and something with which to write. The children should wear their primary school uniform.

There will be an opportunity to look around the school and sample some lessons.

Your child can then be collected from school at 3.00pm. Children making their own way home will be escorted to the Romsey Road crossing at this time.

If you have any questions about the induction days, please contact the school and ask to speak to Mrs. T Jenkins or email transition1@kings-winchester.hants.sch.uk

YEAR 6 PARENTS' INFORMATION EVENING

Wednesday 3rd July 2024 @ 6.00pm
Venue: Sports Hall

Please note: It is expected that all parents and carers will attend this important evening. Your child is also very welcome to join us.

The purpose of this evening is to give you all of the information you will need before your child joins us at Kings', along with an opportunity to meet with key members of staff at Kings' School and ask any questions you may have.

There will be a presentation by the Headteacher, Head of Year and other key members of staff.

We hope the evening will be a pleasant and informative occasion.

As parking is restricted at Kings', we would ask parents who live locally to walk where possible. The playground at the back of the school (via Sarum Road) will also be available for parking.

In addition you will be issued with your child's Tutor Group information at this event.

TRANSITION TEAM

HEAD OF YEAR/DEPUTY HEAD OF YEAR/YEAR OFFICER

The Year Office Team look forward to another smooth transition of pupils from their Primary Schools to Kings' in September.

The team comprises a Head of Year, Deputy Head of Year, and Year Officer.

They realise that the time between now and September can be an equally exciting and apprehensive one for pupils and parents alike but hope that by meeting you and writing to you over the coming months, this will reassure you about the transition period.

The pupils will come from a wide variety of schools, having had a wide variety of experiences. That in itself will prove fascinating and provide a rich base for your child's education at Kings'. Rest assured, the Year Office Team will do all they can to ensure that the transition is as smooth as possible. At any time, please contact your child's tutor should problems arise. If this is connected to school related costs, parents who are in genuine financial hardship should contact the Head of Year in confidence.

TRANSITION CO-ORDINATOR

The role of the Transition Co-Ordinator, Mrs Jenkins, is to organise and oversee the Transition Programme and be the main point of contact for all those involved in transition, i.e. parents, primary schools and Kings' staff. Our aim is to provide a comprehensive Transition Programme incorporating events for both parents and children, as well as working closely with our linked primary schools to deliver transition work and activities to the Year 6 pupils. Mrs Jenkins can be contacted on transition1@kings-winchester.hants.sch.uk

WELFARE TEAM

Kings' School has a caring and sensitive approach to students with individual needs. The Welfare Team offer a variety of services to support families, including workshops, 1:1 and group support to enable the pupil to develop self-reliance, self-esteem and emotional resilience. The team is headed by Mrs Berridge, Welfare Lead and DSL. Mrs Berridge is supported by our Welfare and Pastoral Support Workers, Mr Nichols, Mrs Baxter, Mrs Stevens and Mr Leigh-Jones and our ELSA team.

If you have safeguarding information relating to your child which you wish to share with us, please email safeguarding@kings-hants.com which will be received by our Safeguarding Leads.

OTHER USEFUL INFORMATION

PUPIL LAUNCH PAD

The children have access to a launch pad, which can take them to most areas that they will need during their time at Kings'. This can be accessed by visiting our website www.kings-hants.com and selecting "Pupil Login" from the menu.

APPS

What apps will be used, what are they for, when will I receive my login details and how do I get my password reset if I need to?

Applicaa Login details sent to the email address used to apply for a place for your child, usually in April/May		The platform we use to complete your Data Collection Form to ensure we have all the necessary information about you and your child. Please complete this as soon as possible.
Parentpay Letters sent via primary school or direct to home in June/July		Pay for trips and other items Top up lunch accounts (this is not immediate and may take 24 hours to apply to child's account)
EduLinkOne Login details sent in September. School Name Kingswin For login issues, contact IT Support Team by emailing kings.school@kings-winchester.hants.sch.uk and marking for the attention of IT Support Team		View timetable Report absence View reports Update details Send messages See achievement and behaviour points
Satchel One Pupils and Parents each have logins, sent home with child in Sept. For login issues, contact IT Support Team by emailing kings.school@kings-winchester.hants.sch.uk and marking for the attention of IT Support Team		Homework. Teachers will add any homework tasks here. Children can mark off when they have completed it. Pupils in Year 7 are expected to spend about 5 hours each week altogether on homework. Further details will be provided to the pupils by their tutor and subject staff
Schoolcloud Login using child and parent details as on EduLinkOne. Contact the school office if access cannot be gained to check details		Book parents' evening appointments Book Activity Days Book Options appointments Book other events
Subject related Apps Logins are sent by subject teachers and must be accessed through them if lost or need to be reset		Some subjects use subject specific apps to enhance pupil learning. An example would be Doodle for Maths or Educake for Science among others

LOCKERS

Lockers are paid for online, using the link which can be found on the transition page of the school website. In Year 7, we aim to allocate lockers and the combination code within the first fortnight. The locker numbers and codes will be given to the Year 7 tutors to distribute to the children.

KNOWLEDGE ORGANISERS

Our teachers have created Knowledge Organisers to support each unit of learning across Key Stage 3. These are then compiled into a booklet. Knowledge Organisers are a simple tool that provides the foundational knowledge required for each particular unit across each subject. These are called the Knowledge Base. They are not the whole curriculum but they do outline the basic knowledge that every pupil should know. Subjects have also added other information—in a section called a Knowledge Builder, which may include extension tasks, or further study that may interest your child. Pupils will be issued with a Knowledge Organiser at the beginning of September for the academic year in Years 7, 8 and 9 and they should keep them safe, and graffiti free. However, we know that accidents happen, so if they are lost, a replacement can be bought from the Year Office at the cost of production (£3.50). They are a key piece of equipment to help your child's learning, and they will need to bring their Knowledge Organiser to every lesson. There are also places for them to write down their timetable, locker number, and other useful information.

PE

The children are not required to bring their PE kit on their first day at school, or for their first timetabled PE lesson where they will be given their PE schedule, which will help them to know which kit to bring on which days. PE staff will explain carefully and include which changing rooms they should use. They are expected to write this information in their Knowledge Organiser to refer back to. It is helpful for them to practice getting changed into and out of their kit before starting, as they are expected to be changed within 5mins. PE run taster sessions for the sports clubs which are only open to Year 7 in the first week of term. These are not try-outs for sports teams, rather they are open to all who would like to participate. Children are expected to bring their kit and get changed even if they are excused from participating.

CLUBS

The timetable for clubs will be published during the first week of term. They will usually be added to EdulinkOne where you can book a space for your child. On the first day there will be a fayre in the courtyard for the children to visit to find out more about some of the clubs. PE will run Year 7 taster sessions for the sports clubs in the first week of school. All other clubs usually begin on the 2nd week of term.



MEDICAL INFORMATION AND MEDICINES

Our onsite Matron team will be happy to discuss any medical condition your child has. If your child needs an inhaler or epi-pen, they should carry this with them in their school bag. If possible, a spare should be provided for safe keeping with matron. All other medications should be handed in to matron. Children should not carry any other medication with them in school. You can contact matron by email on matron@kings-winchester.hants.sch.uk

LUNCH ACCOUNTS

We operate a cashless catering system in school, which can be topped up using Parentpay. We use the children's thumbprints to access their accounts. The children have an automatic maximum spend limit of £5 per day set on their account. This can be changed should you wish, please contact our finance office on finance@kings-winchester.hants.sch.uk to discuss this.

ADMISSIONS FORM

As part of the transition process parents are required to complete a Data Collection Form on behalf of their child. You will receive an email with login details which are specific to you and your child to complete the form. Please complete this by **Friday 31st May**.

STAFF VISITS

In order to know your child, a member of staff from Kings' School will endeavour to visit most Primary Schools in order to speak to staff and pupils and gain as much information about each individual as possible. As we are receiving children from over 40 schools it may not be possible to visit every school, so we will prioritise visits by the numbers coming from the schools.

Our Pupil Support Team will make specific visits to schools, where necessary, to liaise with staff regarding pupils with special needs. In addition, any external reports received about a pupil's specific needs will be taken into consideration.

DISADVANTAGED CHILDREN

If you think your child may be eligible for Free School Meals, please complete the following form <https://apply.cloudforedu.org.uk/ofsm/hants>

KINGS' SCHOOL CURRICULUM

At Kings' School, our curriculum is at the heart of our mission to achieve inspiring futures, exceptional character and academic success.

At its simplest, a curriculum is the content taught to pupils in lessons. Our curriculum, however, extends well beyond lessons and, indeed, our extensive co-curricular programme. It is seen in interactions throughout the Kings' community, in our daily desire to inspire our pupils to become the very best people they can be.

We want our curriculum to be ambitious and challenging for all so that pupils of all backgrounds learn the best knowledge that we have in each subject area – and beyond. In taking our pupils beyond their lived experiences, our curriculum aims to push pupils to inspiring futures and to address social disadvantage.

In constructing our knowledge-rich curriculum, we select and sequence the material to be taught with great care and purpose. Key Stage 3 is broad, balanced and challenging, ensuring a strong academic grounding for all before pupils select from a range of challenging option subjects for Years 10 and 11, studied alongside a core of subjects to GCSE level.

In short, our curriculum is focused, coherent and learned.

- Focused – it teaches pupils what they need to know to understand and improve the world.
- Coherent – it has a clear, carefully planned narrative within and across units.
- Learned – our pupils learn more and remember more over time. This is due to core concepts being taught explicitly, deliberate practice that uses this knowledge, and assessment and feedback that leads to pupils 'knowing what they know' and what they need to focus on in order to make improvements.

We are proud of our ever-developing curriculum at Kings' School. It contributes significantly to the fact that so many of our pupils go on to study challenging courses at 6th form college and attend universities across the country and beyond. Whatever a pupil's dreams are beyond Kings' School, when they leave us, we want our curriculum to have ensured that they have the knowledge they need to be prepared for, and inspired by, their future.



PUPIL SUPPORT DEPARTMENT

The Kings' School Pupil Support Department is a large, committed team working at the centre of the school to support pupils in all aspects of the curriculum.

The department provides two main areas of support to pupils: a Resourced Provision for pupils with physical disabilities (RP), and support for pupils with Special Educational Needs or Disabilities (SEND). The aim of the department is to ensure that all pupils are fully included in every aspect of the curriculum and school life, and are able to achieve their full potential.

PHYSICAL DISABILITIES

Kings' is a designated school for pupils with physical disabilities. Consequently, we are exceptionally well resourced to ensure that pupils are fully included and integrated into the mainstream education of the school. Support Staff are very well trained to enable the pupils to succeed within a happy, caring and supportive environment.

SEND

Assistance is provided across all year groups for pupils with SEND. Expectations of all SEND pupils remain high, and they are fully involved in the school community. Support Staff use a varied approach in supporting the additional needs of each pupil, to ensure they can achieve their full potential. This area of the department supports through multiple means, ranging from providing provisions such as laptops and coloured overlays to differentiated resources and targeted interventions. For those pupils with SEND, but who do not have an EHCP, the majority of support is provided through inclusive strategies put in place within the classroom.

The SEND department works closely with the Pastoral Team, the Heads of Year and outside agencies where appropriate, in order to provide the most suitable support for individual pupils.

SEND AND THE CURRICULUM

Pupil Support Staff are valuable members of the school community who work mainly in the classrooms alongside teachers supporting the many needs of individual pupils and their learning, but also support outside the curriculum, ensuring engagement in other areas of school life. Pupil Support Staff are first allocated to those pupils who have EHCPs. The remainder of the time is then allocated where there is the greatest need. Pupil Support Staff work inclusively within the classroom to support pupil progress and independence.

Pupil Support Staff oversee the Homework Club where they are able to support pupils with additional learning opportunities. In addition to this learning based support, Pupil Support Staff also run the Lunchtime Club. This provides pupils with ASC or SLCN difficulties, who find social interaction challenging, a smaller and quieter environment in which to develop these skills. A Special Educational Need or disability of a pupil at Kings' is not considered a barrier to learning, but a matter that needs to be recognised, considered and worked with. Pupils are entitled to enjoy the full curriculum, regardless of additional requirements and we strive to meet the individual needs of each pupil, as they realise inspiring futures, exceptional character and academic excellence.

GETTING TO AND FROM SCHOOL

Kings' School has a wide catchment area with pupils travelling in many different ways to get to and from school. The table below is designed to help you with some of the different transport methods available.

Please note that however they travel, we do expect all pupils to conform to the full list of uniform requirements for the entirety of their journey.

	On foot	Many of our pupils live within a mile of Kings' and use this to their advantage by taking the healthy option and walking to school. Being aware of the dangers associated with busy road networks like Romsey Road and practising good road safety is the key to enjoying this practical transport method.
	Cycle	A growing number of children cycle to school, taking advantage of the secure and well-covered bicycle sheds. We would recommend that pupils undertake their road safety/cycling proficiency courses. All those that cycle are required to wear cycle helmets.
	By Car	Parents and carers may drop off/collect their children at school by using the rear entrance located on Sarum Road or using the Pitt Park and Ride which is a short walk from the school. Please note the gates to the Sarum Road entrance will not be opened until 3.15pm for collections. With the exception of those using our disabled parking bays, parents and carers must not use the main Kings' Road entrance at either drop off or pick up due to the number of staff and school buses accessing the school via this road.
	By Bus	School buses are provided by Hampshire County Council for pupils living in our catchment area. Parents wishing to apply for a place on buses provided by HCC please contact School Transport direct on 01962 846924 or 01962 845332 or via their website at www.hants.gov.uk/passengertransport/school-transport/stforms Public service buses also run regularly (approx. every 15 minutes) along the Romsey Road. Bus stops are located at the bottom of Kings Road.
	By Train	Winchester Railway Station is approximately a 25 minute walk from the school and is easily accessible via the public service buses running along the Romsey Road.

LATE BUS SERVICE

The "Late Bus" leaves school at 5PM from outside the Front Gate, by the bus turning circle.

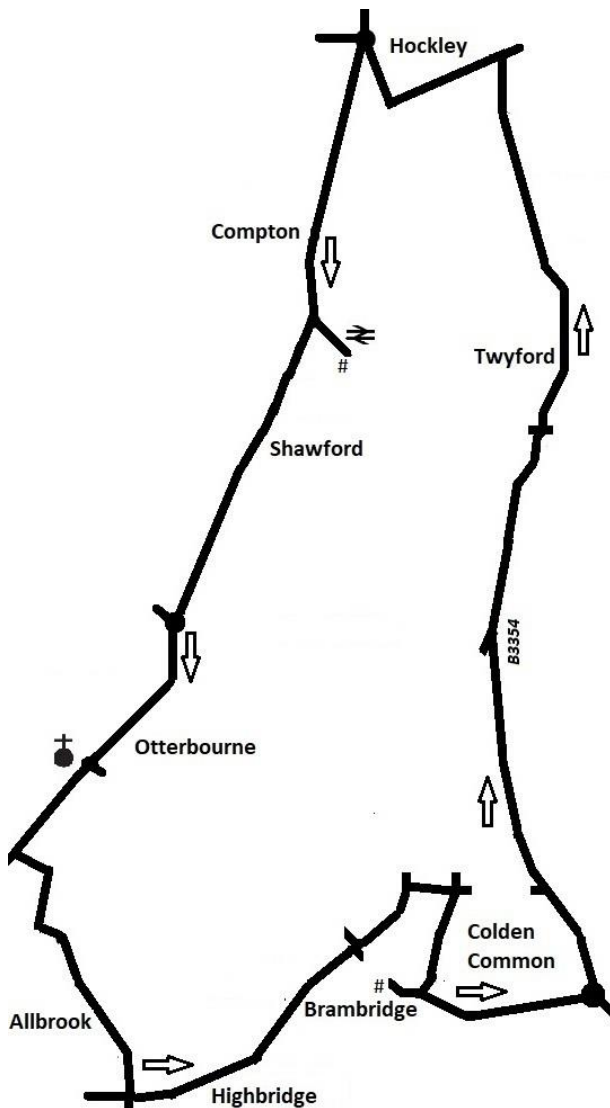
Tickets are purchased in advance from Reception and currently cost £3.

The bus is limited to 16 pupils.

Pupils are encouraged to buy tickets a day in advance (or earlier) to secure a seat.

On boarding the bus pupils should tell the driver which Bus Stop (see list) they require.

When approaching their Bus Stop pupils should call out to the driver (similar to ringing the bell) on a public bus).



Bus Stop List

- Depart Kings' 17:00
- Compton & Shawford 17:10
 - Compton Street
 - *Shawford Station #*
 - Shawford Down
 - South Down
 - Highways Road
- Otterbourne 17:15
 - Sparrowgrove
 - Oakwood Avenue (Nisa Local)
 - The White Horse
 - Otterbourne Hill Green
 - The Otter
- Allbrook 17:25
 - Boyatt Lane Allotments
 - Lincolns Rise
 - Pitmore Road
- Highbridge 17:30
 - Highbridge Farm
- Colden Common 17:35
 - Wardle Road
 - Community Centre (Co-Op)
 - Primary School
 - Grays Close
 - *Brambridge Arms (Brambridge) #*
 - *Bishopstoke Lane (east) #*
 - Brickmakers Road
 - St. Vigor Way (roundabout)
 - Vears Lane (main road)
 - Avondale Park Homes
 - Hunts Close
 - Recreation Ground
 - Commons End
 - Woodland Drove
- Twyford 17:45
 - Manor Farm Green
 - Crossroads (Post Office)
 - Northfields
 - Hockley Cottages

These stops must be requested as they are branches off the normal route.

Times are subject to road conditions, traffic and weather.

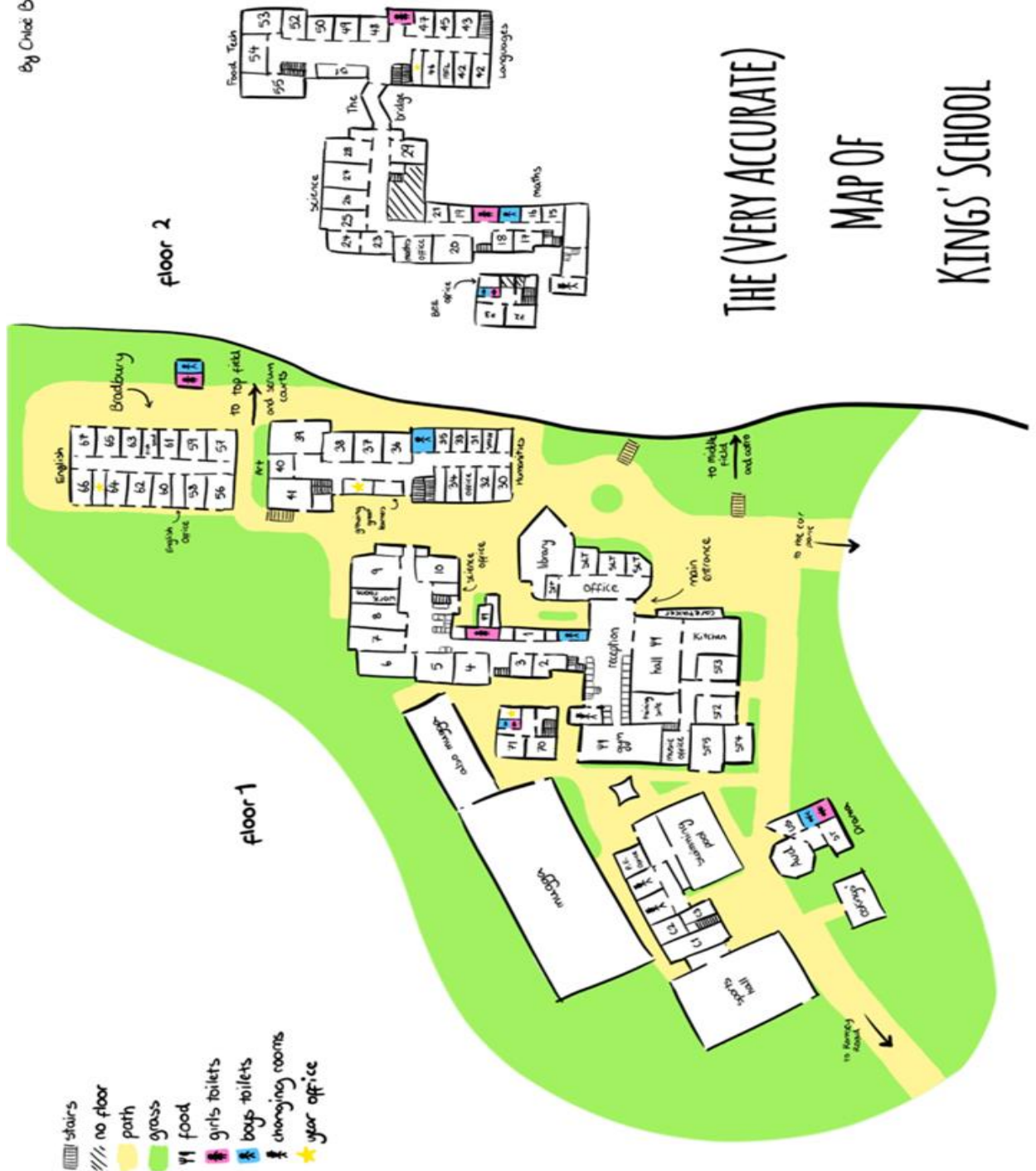
SCHOOL MAP



By Chloe Beard

THE (VERY ACCURATE)

MAP OF
KINGS' SCHOOL



CHECKLIST FOR YOU

THESE ARE THE THINGS YOU NEED TO HAVE COMPLETED OR
ARRANGED

Noted Induction Date	☐
Data Collection form	☐
Coffee event booking	☐
Summer school booking	☐
Locker rental	☐
Music Lesson request form	☐
Music Taster Session interest form	☐
Uniform purchased	☐

All forms are electronic and can be found on our website www.kings-hants.com under School Information/Admissions/Year 6 Transition.

INSPIRING FUTURES



EXCEPTIONAL CHARACTER



ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE

