

MOVING ON FROM YEAR 6 TO YEAR 7



ST KEVINA PRIMARY SCHOOL 2017
CLASS 4



STARTING SECONDARY SCHOOL IN BATH

A practical starter guide for families.



1: Confirm your chosen place

- **Apply by midnight 31st October 2024** for a place in September 2025.
- **Results will be emailed 3rd March 2025** telling you which school has a place for your child.
- If you are happy you must **confirm by 17th March 2025**.
- If you are not happy you must appeal as soon as possible.
- For more information on any of this use :

https://beta.bathnes.gov.uk/sites/default/files/Secondary%20Admissions%20Booklet%202025-26_1.pdf

2. Getting to know the new school

- The new school will usually get in touch with an **email**.
- In **May or June** staff from the new school will visit your child's primary school. They will talk to children and their primary teachers.
- In **July** your child will spend a day at the new school.
- In **July** will be invited to an evening at the new school



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- **Transport and the new route to school** will be important.
- When your child visits the new school in **July** they will need to get there safely using the new route alone or with friends.
- Will they walk ? Use a bus ? Cycle ?
- **Practice the new route with your child.**
- Help with the cost of buses is only available if your child has a dangerous route, has medical needs or lives 3 miles or more from their new school.



3. Uniform – strict rules to follow, example costs

Item	£	Item	£
Blazer	45	Sports top	23
Tie	7	Tracksuit bottoms	28
Shirt	27	Trainers /boots	20+
Jumper	25	Sports socks	8
Trousers	27	School coat	20+
Skirt	36	School bag	20+
Shoes	20+	Gum shields	6

Check the school website for the RIGHT DETAILS



3. Getting the new uniform



Check the list on the new school website



Ask the new school where you can buy it



When does the new school have a second-hand sale?



Scholars, 4 Terrace Walk, Bath BA1 1LN has most school uniform. Oldfield uniform is ordered online, so is Beechen Cliff sports kit.

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Facebook marketplace



Talk to other families, share tips and information



Can older children pass good uniform on?



Plan to buy ahead. Budget and NAME everything – it gets lost !

4. Homework – goes online

- A BIG change – expect a few weeks working this out
- Ask the school for help and keep asking
- Think about online safety for your child



4. Homework – goes online

Your child will need to use a mobile phone, tablet or laptop to find and complete homework.



How can you print out finished work ? Some schools offer help at school – what is it at the new school ?



- Which online system is used to set homework ? Can your child access it? Can you see what it is ?

5. School meals

The new school will have a wide range of hot food to buy £2-£3/day.

Meals will cater to special diets. Ask how this works at your new school.

If you send food to school with your child food must not contain nuts, to protect children with nut allergies.

Schools do not use cash – you pay in advance online. Ask how the new school does this.



Do you qualify for free school meals ? If you already get these, tell the new school, If you might qualify contact [Apply for free school meals | Bath and North East Somerset Council \(bathnes.gov.uk\)](#)



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- St Marks', Beechen Cliff and Hayesfield have residential trips costing £140-£245. Oldfield has a £33 day trip. St Gregs has a day retreat. Ralph Allen has a games evening for free at the school.
- Ask the school for information about what they do, plus help with costs if this will be a problem.
- Children wear warm clothes that often come home muddy.
- Children have a good time and get to know their new friends and teachers.



Key dates



March 2025
Confirm your place

May/June 2025
New schools visit
your primary
school

July 2025 Your
child and then you
visit the new school

Sept./Oct 2025
Autumn residential



For more information

Talk to other **families and staff** at your current school

Use the website at your **new school** or contact them direct

Check **uniform** direct with Scholars or online for Oldfield/Beechen sports kit

Check **free school meals** with your current school or online.



**WITH BEST
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