

“Every child is a unique child of God.”

WHINMOOR



ST. PAUL'S  
C of E Primary School

## **SEN Transition**

At Whinmoor St Paul's C of E Primary School we recognise how important a successful transition is to our pupils with additional needs.

We work in partnership with our feeder secondary schools to provide an enhanced level of transition for those who we feel would benefit from this. This may take the form of additional visits for pupils, one to one/small group working with secondary school staff or pupil mentoring from secondary schools.

The period of transition depends on the individual needs of the pupil. If it is felt appropriate secondary school colleagues will attend Annual Reviews to meet the current class teacher, parents and most importantly the pupil. We have found this strategy particularly useful in easing any worries or concerns pupils and parents may have. We are particularly keen to involve parents and carers as much as possible in their child's transition to secondary school. School staff will take opportunities to work alongside parents and carers to visit secondary schools in advance of secondary placement applications being submitted to the Local Authority.

This ensures parents and carers can make the most informed placement decision for their child. When a secondary school has been allocated to the child, parents are fully involved and consulted at all stages of the transition process.

Transition from each year group is supported so that the children have met with their new teachers and are familiar with the new classroom environment and organisation. Children with additional needs can be given photographs and resources to look at over the Summer in preparation for starting their new class.

### **Nursery to Reception**

New starters for Reception are provided with numerous opportunities to meet their class teacher and visit their new classroom. Furthermore there is a parent information event where new starters and parents have the opportunity to visit the school, order uniform and ask any questions.

## **Year 6 to Year 7**

Once you have made your decision about which secondary school you are going to send your child to, we will work alongside their transition staff to ensure all information is passed on and the transition from primary to secondary school is smooth.

Our main feeder schools are Wetherby and Boston Spa. We will ensure that all children with SEND are provided a personalised transition plan. This plan may include additional visits, opportunities to practise using public transport, joint meetings and information booklets appropriate to the child.

If you would like to discuss your SEND requirements in detail please [contact the school](#) to arrange an appointment.