



Burlington Junior School Transition



Transition can be challenging for children due to lots of change and new experiences. To support transition in the school we deliver the following schedule for all pupils and year groups:

Event	What we are doing	How you can support at home
Children visit new classroom	Children will spend a morning completing activities in their new classrooms.	Show your child their new route to school in the morning and after school, explaining where you will drop them off and collect them in September.
Children meet their new teacher and support staff	Children will spend a morning with their new teacher/s and support staff working on some “getting to know you” activities.	Ask your child about their new teacher. What have they learnt about them?
Children’s voice	Children from the Junior school will visit Y2 children transitioning to talk about the school.	Talk about what questions the children may have about the following year. Write them in their diaries in case they forget.
Parents to visit new classroom with children	Parents come to see the child’s new classroom and meet their new teacher.	
Handover	Teachers will share information with each other during a handover to ensure a smooth transition.	Let your current teacher know if there are any big changes that may be occurring outside of school that we may not be aware of.
Parents meeting in September	Year group meetings for parents to find out more about the year and ask any questions.	

Additional transition activities for Year 2 to Year 3 children:

- New teacher observes children in their current classroom
- Children visit their new classes for a reading party and reading picnic on the field
- Allocation of a Year 6 buddy
- Year 5 and Year 2 fun sports activities
- New teacher delivers an activity to get to know the children in their current Year 2 classroom

Additional transition activities for Year 3 to Year 4 children:

- 2 additional hours with their new classes and teacher to help them get to know the children in their new class

Additional support for some of our anxious children with SEND

Support is provided on a personalised basis, putting the child's needs at the centre. Some of the additional ways we offer support are:

- Additional visits to see their new classroom/meet their new teacher
- Additional tours of the school as a small group
- Photos of the child's new teacher and support staff to prepare them for September
- Postcards sent home in the holidays by their new teacher
- BIS and BJS SENCo staff meet to handover children's passports and share needs

As a school we are committed to making the transition process for children as positive as we can. Should your child require additional support that the school is not already aware of, please contact the class teacher, Mr Blow, Mrs Case or Miss Duncombe via the school office on parent@bjs.rbksch.uk.