



Transition Days FAQs

What time does my son/daughter start and finish on the induction days?

Students should arrive by 8.35am each day and school will finish at 3.20pm on Monday and 3.05pm Tuesday-Friday. The school canteen is open for breakfast from 8.00am; early arrivals can wait there.

What should my son/daughter wear on the Induction Days?

Students must wear: a plain black skirt or black business-style trousers, black shoes, **no trainers** and a white school shirt/ blouse and a Orsett Heath Academy school tie. **Polo shirts should NOT be worn.** If girls choose to wear a skirt, this must be worn with plain black, opaque tights. Fleeces/coats may be worn to and from school but must be removed once students are inside the building; badged items of primary school uniform should not be worn. **No jewellery, except a wrist watch, is allowed; this includes earrings for both boys and girls.**

What does my son/daughter need to bring with him/her on these days?

All students must bring a pen, pencil and their Primary school PE kit, including trainers. **PE kit may be required on the first day.**

Can I bring and collect my son/daughter by car?

Parents/carers can use the car parking area to drive their child to and from school. Please **do not** park outside the school gates or along the entrance driveway into the school, as this could cause an accident. If do intend to drop your child off to school, please park up in one of the designated parking spaces.

What about break times?

There are two breaks at Orsett Heath Academy. The first is 20 minutes long and the second is 25 minutes long. During these breaks, your child will have the opportunity to use the school cafeteria. If children prefer to bring packed lunches and snacks, they may do so. Students entitled to a Free School Meal at Primary school are also entitled to this arrangement on Induction Week. Payment for school lunches is via WisePay and you will receive separate information about this arrangement.

What will my son/daughter do during induction week?

The aim of these days is to familiarise your child with the school and the school day. Therefore, we will be arranging a selection of lessons on each day for all students, following similar routines to the ones which they will experience in September. Students will also sit a series of short on-line CATS tests to help us to determine their particular academic and learning strengths.

My child currently takes medication during the school day, what should he/she do on the induction days?

Please contact the school First Aid team via Student Reception prior to the Induction Days, advising them of any medication and the time(s) it is to be taken. You will need to sign a form to enable our staff to administer the medication. This must be a prescription medication in the original package with the pharmacy label and date on.