

Thursday 8th May 2025

Dear Parents/Carers,

We are so looking forward to welcoming your child to our school in September! As part of the transition process, we would like to invite your child to spend two days in school with us designed to help their passage to Middle School. The transition days will be held on:

Wednesday 2nd and Thursday 3rd July 2025 (8:50am – 3:40pm)

Our current Year 8 pupils will be spending two days at Thomas Alleyne's High School on the above dates, so we offer taster days here for **all new September entrants**. The days will include:

- finding out about our expectations at Ryecroft
- meeting new friends and future classmates
- exploring the school
- spending time in their new classrooms
- learning about timetables and the House system
- ask any questions and find out all about us

Children currently in Year 4 are invited to spend these days with us to experience a range of activities which involve exploring a variety of curriculum areas. They will be allocated to classes designed to integrate our feeder schools and non-catchment pupils. This gives them the opportunity to meet and mix with their future year group.

We would also like to welcome pupils who are joining us in other year groups in September to experience two school days at Ryecroft. Pupils will join their peers and have a variety of lessons during the day. This will give them the opportunity to meet members of their year group as well as staff and get a feel for our subject areas and expectations.

For both of these days your child is required to wear their current school uniform and will need to bring either a packed lunch or £2.95 for a school lunch. In addition, Year 4 pupils will need to bring with them their PE Kit on Thursday 4th July. **No PE kit will be required for those pupils joining us in other year groups.**

All pupils will need to arrive to and be collected from Ryecroft each day. There is no school bus service for transition days.

Please telephone the school office to confirm your child's attendance on the 2nd and 3rd July.

New Parents' Evening – Thursday 3rd July 2025 at 5:00pm in the school hall

We warmly invite parents and carers of new entrants to a meeting on Thursday evening. This is an opportunity for parents of new pupils to meet our Senior Leadership team and form teachers, find out a little more about school and ask any questions.

We understand that this is a major change for pupils and families, therefore if we can help in any way prior to the transition days please do not hesitate to telephone the school.

We are so pleased that you have chosen our school for the next stage of your child's education and we are really looking forward to meeting you very soon.

Yours sincerely,



Mrs A Grattage
Headteacher

