

## **Transition Pack**



# Everyone at Ormston School is really looking forward to meeting you!

#### Meet the staff

Tick when you have met the staff 😊

Name	Role	Class
Mr Brown	Head Teacher	
Mrs Robinson	Deputy Safeguarding Lead	
Miss Eckersley	Teacher	Barn Owl - Primary
Miss Hattersley	ТА	Barn Owl - Primary
Miss Stainton-Roy	1-1 TA	Little Owl - Primary
Miss Guy	Teacher	Tawny Owl / English
Mr Sangra	Teacher	September Y7 / Science
Mr Kilburn	1-1 TA	Burrowing Owl
Mrs Holmes	SENCo	
Mr Caldicott	Teacher	Little Owl - Primary
Mrs Turner	ТА	Tawny Owl
Mr Corey	1-1 TA	Tawny Owl
Miss Maman	Teacher	Burrowing Owl
Miss Brown	ТА	Snowy Owl
Miss Johnston	1-1 TA	Snowy Owl
Mr Smith	ТА	Little Owl - Primary
Mrs Sahota	1-1 TA	Burrowing Owl
Mr Lane	Teacher	Snowy Owl / PE
Miss Woollerson	ТА	Burrowing Owl
Miss Daily	Tutor	
Mr Teasdale	Caretaker	
Mr Green	1-1 TA	Snowy Owl / Reading

#### Your class is \_\_\_\_\_

Your teacher will give you a copy of your timetable to take home 😊

#### About Me

Completing this transition book will help you think about what kind of support you might need at your new school.

It will help staff at your new school to understand what they need to do to support you.

You can personalise this book with colours, pictures, and drawings if you like.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Birthday: \_\_\_\_\_

Do you want to be added to the birthday poster in the classroom? **Yes / No** 

My last School was called:

Draw a picture or add a photo of yourself here:



## Telling the staff about what other young people are doing



You **must** tell a staff member if another young person is hurting you, upsetting you or doing something dangerous.

You do not need to tell if another young person is being silly.

**Remember:** Staff will make sure that the school rules are followed.

**Activity:** Can you highlight on this list some things that you should tell the staff members about?

- Somone is not wearing the right uniform
- Someone is saying hurtful things about how someone looks, their race, sexuality, gender or disability
- Taking food from someone
- Whispering in class
- Scribbling over some else books
- Shouting in the corridor
- Calling someone a horrible name
- Calling someone a funny name
- Hitting, kicking, head-butting or biting someone
- Threatening someone
- Telling rude jokes

#### **Making Friends**



Moving to a new School is a great time to make new friends. Some people are good at this, other people find it much harder.

Remember, all new people will be feeling nervous – even the staff!

Here are some top tips for making new friends.

- Smile and say hello
- Tell them your name and ask who they are
- Ask where they are from
- Ask them what they like
- Tell them what you like
- Try to find something you both like like computers
- Ask them about who they live with
- Tell them about yourself

**Activity:** Can you think of any other ways that might help you make new friends?

#### Bullying



Bullying is against school rules!

Staff hate bullying and work hard to stop it.

Bullying does not happen very often; staff will always work with the bully to make sure it does not happen again.

If you are not sure if you are being bullied speak to a member of staff or someone you live with to help you.

There are things you can do to help keep yourself safe from bullies:

- Always talk to a member of staff
- Make sure you know where members of staff are
- Tell a member of staff if you are worried about being in the toilets or changing rooms
- Walk away from people who are saying or doing things that you don't like
- Remember bullies are not in charge and that adults are more powerful than bullies

#### What is Bullying?



Bullying is when someone deliberately does something to another person which they know will upset them.

**Activity:** Can you highlight on this list some things which are done <u>deliberately</u> to upset someone?

- Taking someone's money and not giving it back
- Accidentally bumping into someone
- Telling other people that someone fancies someone else
- Hitting, nipping, kicking or scratching
- Verbal abuse about how someone looks
- Disagreeing about someone's favourite music
- Having a different opinion
- Making someone break the rules on purpose

#### **School Rules**



Rules

Our classes only have 6 young people in, however there will be lots of young people and staff in the school. When lots of people work together in the same place, we must have some rules. The rules are there to help everyone feel safe and happy.

## **Our School Vision**

To provide a learning environment where young people can thrive, feel supported, safe and are then able to leave school happy with relevant experiences and outcomes to enable them to contribute to the wider community.

Our main goal in education is to help young people to reach their full potential. At Polaris we recognise the importance of specialist education and support for young people who need a tailored approach to learning.

#### **Ormston School values**

- Integrity
- Inclusive
- Teamwork
- Celebration
- Respect

You can look at our display to learn about our values, Teachers will also help you understand what they mean.

#### Integrity

The quality of being honest and having strong moral principles.

- Try your best in class
- Ask if you need help or don't understand
  - Know who to talk to
  - Follow adults' instructions
  - Build positive relationships
- Doing the right thing even when nobody is watching

#### Inclusive



Accepting, understanding and catering for young people's differences and diversity, whether that is physical, cognitive, academic, social or emotional.

- Understand that we are all different
- Be accepting of all race, religion, belief, gender and sexuality
- Work towards awards for schools including 'The Rainbow Award'



#### Teamwork



Work together to successfully complete tasks. Be able to create a positive atmosphere recognising the strength and skills that each person bring.

- Be aware of personal space and items
  Help each other
- Develop positive relationships between each other and adults

#### Celebration



Acknowledge a significant or happy day, moment or event. Celebrate working hard and learning.

- Enjoy Golden Time which is provided every day (Understand when this may be used as reflection time)
  - Give and receive positive comments and feedback
    - Take part in visitor events and trips
      - Celebrate 'work of the week'

#### Respect

Thinking about the thoughts, feelings, wishes and rights of others.

- Treat each other with dignity and respect
- Listen to each other's points of view, recognising that we may have disagreements
  - Keep conversation on topic
- Have kind hands and feet, be aware of personal space
  Use kind and appropriate language
- When things go wrong, don't let it spoil things moving forward, be able to take part in restoratives

#### Other things to know



We do not allow mobile phones in school – these must be locked away in the cupboard in reception when you arrive.



You will be collected from your car/taxi/transport by your class TA.



We are always here to listen.





Breakfast	08:45 - 09:00
Tutor Time	09:00 - 09:15
Lesson 1	09:15 - 10:00
Lesson 2	10:00 - 10:45
Break Time	10:45 - 11:00
Lesson 3	11:00 - 11:45
Lesson 4	11:45 – 12:30
Lunch	12:30 - 12:50
Lunch Activity	12:50 - 13:15
Reading	13:15 – 13:35
Lesson 5	13:35 – 14:20
*Golden Time	14:20 - 15:05
Tutor Time	15:05 – 15:15

\*On a Friday we have Tutor time at 14:20 - 14:35 when school finishes.

These times are also displayed in school and as a visual in classrooms. Golden time activities change every half term and include things like: Forest School, Games Club, Cooking, Running Club, Gardening Club and the school football team.



#### **Golden Time**

Days	Little	Barn	Tawny	Burrowing	Snowy Owl
	Owl	Owl	Owl	Owl	
Monday		Miss Woollerson / Miss Brown	Miss Turner / Miss Hattersley	Team sport	THE COOKING CLUB Mr Corey / Miss Johnston
Tuesday			Miss Brown	THE COOKING CLUB Miss Turner / Miss Johnston	Mr Kilburn / Mr Corey
Wednesday		THE COOKING CLUB Mr Corey / Miss Johnston	Team sport	Miss Brown	Miss Turner / Miss Hattersley
Thursday		Team spot	THE COOKING CLUB Mr Corey / Miss Johnston	Miss Turner / Miss Hattersley	Miss Woollerson / Miss Brown

#### Do you have any hobbies / interests you would like to include for future Golden Times?



#### First Aid & Safeguarding





## **Zones of Regulation**

"Zones of Regulation" is like a special colour map that helps you understand your feelings by placing them into four different zones so you can learn how to manage your emotions.

#### • Blue Zone (Low Energy):

Think of feeling sleepy, bored, or not wanting to do anything, like when you just woke up

#### • Green Zone (Just Right):

This is the best zone to be in for learning and playing, where you feel happy and calm

#### • Yellow Zone (Caution):

When you start feeling a little excited, frustrated, or nervous, like when waiting for a surprise.

#### • Red Zone (Stop):

This is when big feelings like anger or panic take over, and it's important to take a break.

#### How to use Zones of Regulation:

- **Identify your zone:** When you feel a certain way, think about which colour zone you are in.
- Learn coping strategies: Each zone has different ways to help you feel better, like taking deep breaths in the Yellow Zone or taking a quiet break in the Red Zone.
- **Talk to a trusted adult:** If you're struggling to manage your feelings, talk to a parent, teacher or TA about which zone you're in and how they can help



#### Can you think of some things that help you when you are in each zone?



## Reading

At Ormston School we read every day – sometimes without you even knowing! Accelerated Reader (AR) is a special computer program that helps you pick books at your reading level, read them at your own pace, and then take a short quiz to show how well you understood what you read; it's like a fun way to track your reading progress and choose books that are just right for you!.





#### Sensory

A sensory room for is a space that provides you with various resources which can include lights, sounds, textures, and movement to help you regulate your senses. It provides you a space to explore different sensory inputs in a safe setting, this can help with relaxation and selfregulation.



We have a self-service station so you can try different things which includes Sensory Mats, Body Socks and Fidget Toys. You will also find other things in school like trampolines, dark tents, spinning chairs and sensory circuits.

Other rooms that are available for you include: The Activity Room, The Continuous Provision Room and The Roundabout Room – we are more than happy to show you these areas and all our resources.



#### **Breakfast and Lunch**

Our canteen area is used for Breakfast and Lunch, and we have a separate lunch time for primary and secondary.

We enjoy sitting with you and eating our lunch however if you wish to eat in your own space, please just let us know 😊

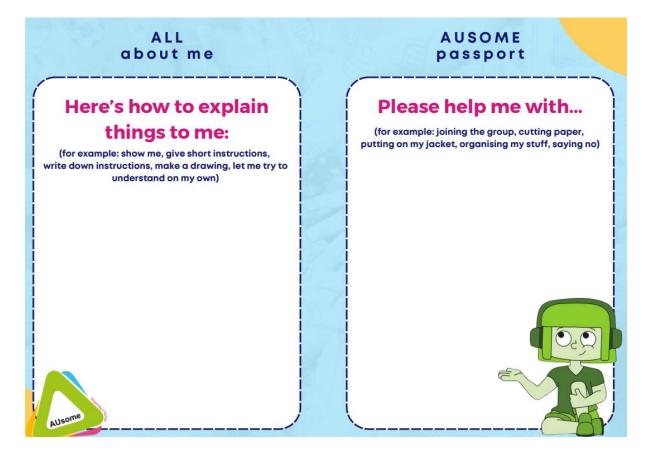


#### What do I need to do now?

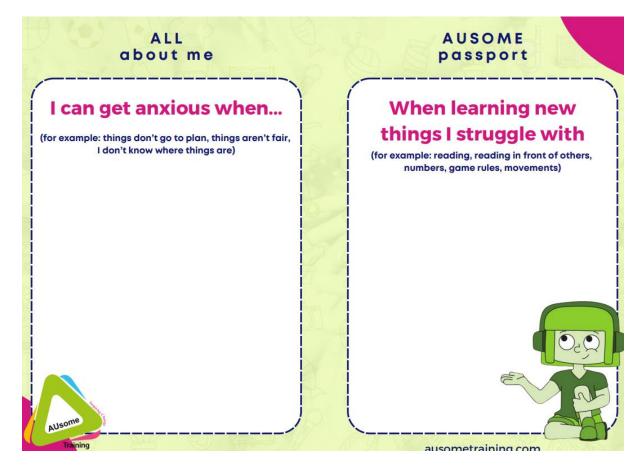
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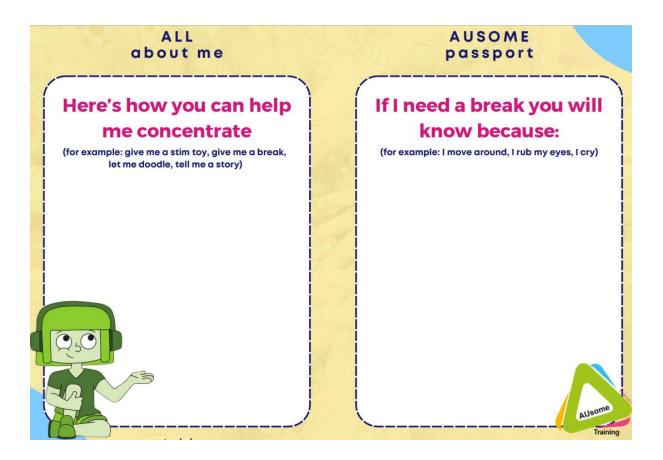


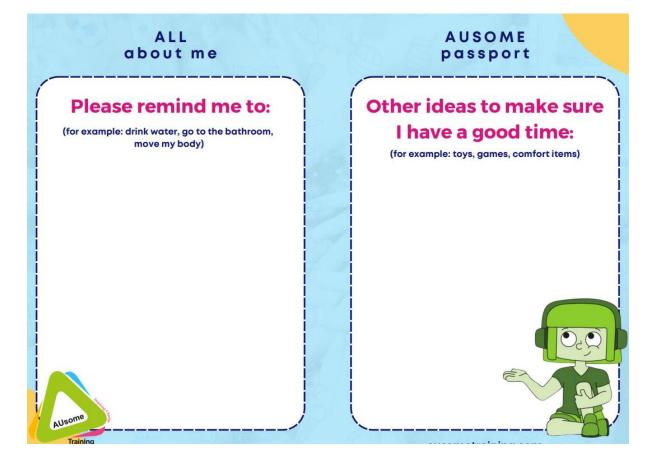












#### What are you worried about?

- You will be thinking about your new school
- You may be worried
- Please answer the following questions by ringing the number which shows how you feel.
- Putting a circle round Number 1 means you are not worried at all. Number 4 means you are very worried.

	•	will help you fill in this form.				
1.	Being bullied	1	2	3	4	
2.	Getting lost	1	2	3	4	
3.	Making friends	1	2	3	4	
4.	Getting detention or 'punishments'	1	2	3	4	
5.	Having a lot of different teachers	1	2	3	4	
6.	Finding classwork too difficult	1	2	3	4	
7.	Homework.	1	2	3	4	
8.	Doing PE	1	2	3	4	
9.	Changing and showering	1	2	3	4	
10.	Being late for school	1	2	3	4	
11.	Being late for lessons	1	2	3	4	
12.	Having your money stolen	1	2	3	4	
13.	Having other property stolen	1	2	3	4	
14.	Break time / lunchtime	1	2	3	4	
15.	Doing tests and exams	1	2	3	4	
16.	Forgetting books or equipment	1	2	3	4	

## Do you have any questions?

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