



Monday, 29th June 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

SUBJECT: Year 6 Transition Time at Risedale School (30th June - 1st July)

We are writing to you today to provide further details about your child's two-day **Transition Time** at Risedale School on **Tuesday, 30th June and Wednesday, 1st July**. This is a fantastic opportunity for your child to experience life at Risedale before officially joining us as a Year 7 pupil in September.

Details for the Transition Days

Times and Travel

Your child should arrive at Risedale each morning at **8.20 am** for an **8.30 am start**. Our school day finishes at **3 pm**.

- **Parking Note:** Parents and carers are welcome to drop off and pick up their child. However, **please do not use the school car park**, as these spaces are strictly reserved for staff. We recommend parking at Shute Road, where your child can safely use the pedestrian snicket to walk to the school.
- **Bus Service:** Pupils who live in Catterick Village can use the **562R school bus** service provided by Hodgsons Coaches Ltd (Tel: 01833 630730). **The timetable can be viewed HERE:** <https://northyorkstravel.info/timetable/562Rsep24.pdf>

What Pupils Can Expect

During these two days, your child will:

- Be greeted each morning at the main school entrance by their new form tutors or members of the Risedale Transition Team.
- Have dedicated time with their new form tutor.
- Experience various lessons and discover new and exciting subject areas.
- Separate break and lunch times to the rest of the school
- Have opportunities to meet key members of staff and talk to current Risedale pupils from all year groups.

Clothing and Equipment

Pupils should wear their **Primary School uniform or Leavers' Hoodie** for both days. They will also need a school bag containing:

- A pencil case with: black, blue, and red pens, a pencil, an eraser, and a ruler.
- A full reusable water bottle.
- A packed lunch (if you don't want the complimentary lunch).
- *Optional:* Cash for a break-time snack and purchasing a drink.





Break/Lunch and Food

To give all our pupils a warm welcome, we are delighted to provide a **complimentary lunch from the school canteen on the two days**. The canteen offers a fantastic selection of hot and cold options. Please note that drinks are excluded, so pupils should bring their own, or they are welcome to bring a full packed lunch if they prefer.

For break time, pupils are welcome to either bring their own snacks from home or purchase food from the canteen using cash. You can view the full [Canteen Price List HERE](#).

Important Payment Info: For the two transition days, if pupils would like to buy a drink or purchase food at break time, all canteen transactions must be made in **cash** (exact change is highly appreciated!). When your child starts full-time in September, you will be able to pay for lunches online via the MCAS app.

Free School Meals

Please note that there are changes to Free School meals. From September 2026, the Department for Education is extending the entitlement to free school meals to include all children from households in receipt of Universal Credit. Although eligibility will be granted to all Universal Credit recipients, **it is important to note that families do still need to apply to receive the meals**.

If your child received a free school meal because they have been protected under transitional protection rules, but you no longer receive Universal Credit, then their entitlement will end at the end of the summer term 2026. From then on, only families in receipt of Universal Credit will qualify.

Applying is quick and easy via North Yorkshire Council's online portal, which gives you an instant decision. Please note that applications cannot be backdated, so it is best to apply as soon as possible. If your application is successful, it takes up to five working days to process, and your child can start enjoying their free meals as soon as the school receives confirmation.

Apply Here>> <https://www.northyorks.gov.uk/education-and-learning/free-school-meals>

URGENT: Pupil Admission Form

If you have not already done so, please complete the Risedale School Pupil Admission Form as a matter of urgency. This form is separate from the North Yorkshire Council admissions process and is essential for helping us prepare for the upcoming school year. It ensures a smooth transition for your child.

Access the Pupil Admission Form Here: >>
<https://forms.gle/2JYNqMtAa6gucgmy5>



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School Uniform

Information about the Risedale School uniform and PE kit can be found on our school website here: [Uniform](#).

- **Year 6 Uniform Event:** Our uniform sizing event will take place on **Monday, 6th July 5pm - 6.30pm**, in Risedale's school hall. Please come along to try on uniform and check sizing. *Please note, uniform cannot be purchased at this event; all orders must be placed online.*
- **Deadlines:** To guarantee delivery for September 2026, please order all school uniform online at [SchoolShop](#) before **29th July**.
- **Delivery:** Online ordering is available with flexible delivery options to your home, work, or family addresses.
- **In-Store Shopping:** The SchoolShop store is open Monday–Friday, 9am–4pm year-round. Plus, extended summer Saturday hours (8am–1pm) run from 18th July until 5th September.

Other Information

We understand that moving to secondary school is an exciting but daunting milestone, and we are here to support you every step of the way. Please keep an eye on your emails for further important correspondence and updates from Risedale School regarding the transition.

If you have any questions, please contact our teams at:

- **Transition Team:** enquiries@risedale.org.uk
- **SEND Team:** send@risedale.org.uk

We highly recommend exploring our website at www.risedale.org.uk, paying particular attention to these key pages before September:

- [Calendar and Term Dates](#)
- [SEND](#)
- [Transition to Year 7](#)

The entire Risedale Family is incredibly excited to get to know our new Year 7 pupils and begin this journey together.



Best wishes,

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