



Friday, 27th June 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

SUBJECT: Year 6 Transition Time at Risedale School (9th-10th July)

I'd like to start by saying a big thank you to all the parents, carers, and pupils who attended our Year 6 Welcome Evening and to those parents who came to our Meet the SEND Team events. It was lovely to meet you all!

I'm writing to provide you with further details about your child's two-day **Transition Time** at Risedale School on **Wednesday, 9th July and Thursday, 10th 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.

What Pupils Can Expect During Their Transition Time

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.
- Have opportunities to meet key members of staff and talk to current Risedale pupils from all year groups.

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**.

Parents and carers are welcome to drop off and pick up their child each day. However, we kindly request that you **do not use the school car park** for parking during this time, as spaces are reserved for staff. We suggest parking at Shute Road, and your child can safely walk through the snicket to Risedale.

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](#).

Break/Lunch and Food

All pupils are required to bring either a **packed lunch** or **money to purchase a school lunch** in the canteen. They will have the option to choose from both hot and cold food items. The cost for a one-course school lunch is £2.50, while a two-course meal costs £2.90. Sandwiches, wraps, and baguettes range in price from £1.40 to £1.90. You can view the complete price list here: [Canteen](#)





[Price List](#). Please note that for these two days, all canteen transactions must be made in cash (the correct change would be welcomed!). Starting in September, when your child begins with us, you will have the option to pay for lunches online through ParentPay.

Clothing and Equipment

For the 2 days of Transition Time, we ask that your child wears their **Primary School uniform or leavers' hoodie**. They will need to bring a school bag and a pencil case with adequate equipment for their lessons each day.

Please ensure your child's school bag contains the following:

- A packed lunch or money for school dinners
 - Pencil case
 - Black, blue and red pens
 - Pencil and eraser
 - Ruler
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Chromebook Information

We want to inform you that **Year 7 pupils joining Risedale School in September will not be issued individual Chromebooks**. In the past, we provided a Chromebook to every pupil, and they were asked to bring it to school daily as part of their equipment. Unfortunately, we've found that in recent years, these devices have not been looked after well enough, and our repair bills have become unmanageable. In addition, we have not seen enough of a tangible educational impact linked to pupils having 1-1 devices.

Starting this year, we are transitioning to a new system where, over the next five years, we aim to have Chromebooks available in every classroom, removing the need for pupils to carry them around. This transition has already begun, with the majority of Chromebooks from our Year 11 Leavers being collected and refreshed for classroom use. We hope this will be a more sustainable and environmentally friendly approach to resourcing our school and providing digital learning equipment for our pupils.

URGENT: Pupil Admission Form

If you haven't already done so, please complete the Risedale Pupil Admission form as soon as possible. This form helps us prepare for the upcoming school year and ensures a smooth transition for your child.

Link to Pupil Admission Form >> <https://forms.gle/kxMbtXLfwWsk3uom9>





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Other Information

We understand that moving to secondary school can be both exciting and daunting, and we are here to support you throughout this process. Please keep an eye on your emails for further important correspondence and updates from Risedale School regarding the transition.

If you have any queries, please feel free to contact our Transition Team at enquiries@risedale.org.uk or our SEND Team at send@risedale.org.uk.

To find out more about Risedale School, please visit our website at www.risedale.org.uk. We recommend that all parents and carers become familiar with the website, but we want to highlight a few important pages to check before September:

- [Calendar and Term Dates](#)
- [SEND](#)
- [Transition to Year 7](#)
- [Uniform](#): To guarantee delivery for September 2025, please order all school uniform online at [SchoolShop](#) before 29th July.

The whole Risedale Family is really looking forward to getting to know our Year 7 pupils better and starting our journey together.

Kindest regards,



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