

16 September 2021

Dear Year 6 students and parents/carers,

I would like to warmly invite you to attend our Year 6 Open Evening at Outwood Academy Easingwold on Tuesday 28th September 2021. We are delighted that this year, we can hold our Open Evening in person. However, we have taken the decision to adjust our traditional open evening arrangements in order to put the safety of prospective students and their parents first, whilst also still enabling you to find out more about our highly successful and happy school. We are very pleased that school life this academic year is returning to normal and we are still celebrating the fantastic examination grades that our Year 11 and Post 16 students achieved in the summer. Our school term has started brilliantly and we are looking forward to an exciting year ahead.

Our Open Evening will start at 5pm and will end at 8pm. We respectfully ask that the latest you arrive is 7.30pm. We anticipate that arrivals will therefore be staggered throughout the evening which will mean that we avoid large groups of visitors at any one time which is preferable in the current circumstances. We politely request that adults wear a face covering whilst inside our buildings. Hand sanitiser will be available around school and we would encourage you to use this where possible.

In order to safely manage our Open Evening we ask that each Year 6 student is accompanied by just one parent or carer on Tuesday 28th September. We will of course be very happy to show prospective students around with both parents during the school day if you would like to find out more about our school. This Open Evening is for students currently in Year 6 but families with children in Year 5 are more than welcome to visit the school by appointment. Please contact enquiries@easingwold.outwood.com and refer your enquiry to Mrs. Rebecca Wilson, the Principal's PA.

There are car parking spaces at the front of school and in the immediate vicinity. Please note that parking is limited so where possible could we ask that you make alternative arrangements. As you arrive at school please walk up the drive towards our post 16 Centre where staff will greet you and give you a map of the school showing the route. We encourage you to follow the one way system starting with our brand new Sports Centre and working your way round each department leaving out of the doors near the front of school in our Design and Technology department.

Our Open Evening will give you a flavour of life at Easingwold and also will allow children to familiarise themselves with the school building. In addition, students will be able to find out about the wealth of subjects taught here as well as extra curricular activities and enrichment opportunities.

Along the route you will be able to visit classrooms from each department, speak with our expert teaching staff and also talk to our students about life at Easingwold. We will also have a number of our Post 16 students assisting along the route who will also be able to answer any questions that you may have. We would encourage you to talk to as many of our wonderful students as possible; they are our greatest asset and speak warmly about the care and expert teaching they receive. Our team of senior leaders and dedicated support staff will also be on hand to answer any questions that you may have as will our SENDCO who can assist with queries about students with additional needs.

We are also delighted to be able to offer taster pots of our delicious and nutritious school meals for you to sample during the evening, and these will be served by our catering team in the canteen.

Rather than a formal presentation that is usually delivered during the course of the evening in the hall, I will record a a brief presentation and this will be posted on our transition website

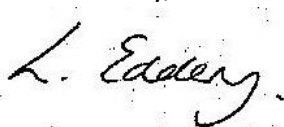
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This will be available from 3pm on Friday 24th September. We will post further key information on our transition website over the coming months that will help Year 6 students prepare for their time with us in Year 7.

If you are unable to attend the Open Evening but would like to look around, you can contact my PA, Rebecca Wilson on 01347 821451 or by emailing r.wilson@easingwold.outwood.com who will be happy to arrange a tour of our facilities. Please can we politely ask that any parents/carers of Year 5 pupils who wish to book a tour, do so after October 31st which is when the school application window closes for year 6 students.

We very much look forward to meeting you at the Open Evening on Tuesday 28th September from 5pm onwards and to welcoming our new Year 7 students in September 2022.

Yours faithfully,



Laura Eddery
Principal