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Dear Year 6 Parent/Carer

We look forward to welcoming you and your child to Backwell School next week at Induction Day and the Parents' Information Evening. This email contains some important reminders and information about the two events; I would be very grateful if you would take just a few moments to read through and familiarise yourself with the details.

### **Induction Day – Tuesday 5 July**

Induction Day will run 9.00am-2.45pm. Your child will need to wear their current primary school uniform and we suggest they bring a maximum of £3.50 in cash with them if they wish to purchase snacks, food or drink here at school (packed lunches are also welcome). Your child will need to bring their rucksack/school bag and pencil case with them, and a water bottle is also suggested. Everything should be named so it can be returned if lost during the day.

We are aware that some children will have a mobile phone; we do not feel these are required for Induction Day but understand that some parents may wish to contact their children at the end of the day regarding travelling home. Pupil's mobile phones must be switched off and in their bags at all times (including break and lunchtime) and are brought to school at the child's own risk.

Please remember to inform your child's current school that they will be absent on this date.

Induction Day is a good opportunity for the Year 6 children to practise how they will get to school, more details on this can be found [on our website](#). Please note that cars are **not allowed** on the school site and this will apply for Induction Day as well, except for children who currently attend Yatton and Court de Wyck Schools.

There will be plenty of staff and current Backwell students on the school site to direct them to where they need to go so you do not need to worry about walking them through our school site to our Theatre.

#### *Guidance for parents/carers of Yatton and Court de Wyck pupils*

We would encourage the use of public transport, lift sharing and walking from other safe locations in the village. Please note our car park, and the surrounding roads are incredibly busy so if you *must* drive your child onto the school site please can you note the following; you cannot arrive on the school site before 8.55am or 2.40pm and you **must follow directions** from our Site Staff. The children will be walked to the coach park at the end of the day so please wait in your vehicles. Again there will be plenty of staff and current Backwell students on the school site to direct them to where they need to go so you do not need to worry about walking them through our school site to our Theatre.

The small group of selected children invited to attend an additional enhanced induction day have been contacted separately, by our Education Support Team, about this event which will take place the day before.

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### **Second-hand uniform sale – Wednesday 6 July**

The Backwell School Association (BSA) will be holding a second-hand uniform sale on Wednesday 6 July 4.00-5.45pm.

This will take place in our Sixth Form Theatre (please follow the signs), prior to the induction session for parents (detailed below). All items are £5 each and cash or card payments can be accepted; all proceeds will go to the BSA which is the PTA charity raising money for Backwell School.

Items are first come first served and we suggest measuring your child in advance so you know what size they will need – there is a video providing guidance on how to do this [here](#). You can then look at the size guides for items you may wish to purchase [on the Price and Buckland website](#).

Please note that children cannot attend the Parents' Induction Evening so we strongly suggest not bringing them to the uniform sale as we cannot offer changing room facilities and they will need to be returned home before the evening begins at 6.00pm. We will post on our social media pages (Facebook and Twitter) if we sell out of stock.

Please make sure you leave plenty of time to attend so you do not miss the induction presentation which follows on from this sale.

Full details on our uniform, including guidance and online purchasing instructions, can be found [on our website](#).

### **Parents' Induction Information Evening – Wednesday 6 July from 6.00pm**

We invite you to a Parents' Induction Information Evening from 6.00pm. The evening will begin with a welcome presentation in our Main Theatre from key senior staff about the school. Following that you will then be invited to meet your child's Tutor.

Please note that Year 6 children are not able to attend this evening, due to space issues, so please arrange for your child to stay at home.

Finally a reminder that lots of other helpful information about the school can be found on the school website: [www.backwellschool.net](http://www.backwellschool.net)

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