

Ramsey Grammar School

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Dear Parents/Carers

Welcome Days 2025

We hope you are well and that your son/daughter is looking forward to the final half term at Primary School and joining us for our Welcome Days on Wednesday 2nd July and Thursday 3rd July 2025.

During our Year 6 Parent Information Evening, a 'My New School' booklet will be provided for you to take away. Students need to bring this booklet with them on the Welcome Days. You will also find the booklet on our website <u>www.rgs.sch.im</u>, which should be your first stop for any information regarding Ramsey Grammar School.

Please complete this <u>link</u> to provide student details at the latest by 27th June 2025. If you have any problems completing it, please let the school know via email/phone. Thank you if you have already done so.

All parents have been invited to the SIMS parent app. If you haven't already signed up, please do so at your earliest convenience. You can contact the RGS Business Management office for any assistance by emailing <u>rgsenquiries@sch.im</u>.

Welcome Days

Our Welcome Days have been designed to give your son/daughter a full experience of what Ramsey Grammar School has to offer. The days will include an assembly, tutor period, a selection of mainstream lessons, the opportunity to experience social times at break and lunch and eating in our school canteen.

The second induction day will be a House Activity Day, designed for students to build relationships and make new friends.

Timings

The school day starts at 08:45 and finishes at 15:15. We would suggest an arrival time of between 08:30 and 08:45. Students should go to the West Hall where they will be met by Miss Johnson (Head of Year 7), the Year 7 Pastoral Team and members of our Senior Leadership Team. This is where they will find out their Form Group and details of the day.

Children will be escorted to lunch ahead of our current students and will also be taken out to the buses in good time at the end of the day.

Uniform/Equipment

Year 6 students should wear their current Primary School uniform for the first Welcome Day on Wednesday 2nd July.

Students at Ramsey Grammar School are expected to bring a pencil case containing pens, pencils, ruler, rubber, sharpener, scientific calculator, protractor and a pair of compasses. For the Welcome Days, we encourage them to bring these items if they already have them, but we will have spare items for any child who needs them. We would also suggest students bring a water bottle.

On Thursday 3^d July, students should wear their own clothes suitable for sporting activities. They will be taking part in an Activity House Day and will work with some of our current Year 7 students.

Lunches

At Ramsey Grammar School your child will have a wide variety of choice for lunch. We always serve a range of sandwiches, salads, wraps, soup and jacket potatoes. In addition, students can have a set meal which includes a main meal and dessert for £2.95. The food on the 2nd and 3rd July will be as follows:

- Soup of the Day
- Assorted Filled Sandwiches, Baguettes and Wraps
- Assorted Filled Jacket Potatoes with Cheese/Tuna/Coleslaw/Baked Beans/Salad
- Hot Pasta Pot with Tomato Sauce/Cheese portion
- A selection of Fresh Fruit and Fruit Pots
- Yogurts
- A selection of Sweet Treats and Biscuits

Students will be issued a SMART card from September 2025. For the Welcome Days students should bring cash for lunch. The set meal is £2.95 so we suggest bringing between £3 and £4 each day. We have been made aware of those students who receive free school meals. If this includes your child, they will not need to bring money unless they wish to buy a snack at break or extra food at lunch.

Bus Travel

The Welcome Days are an opportunity for students to experience travelling to and from Ramsey Grammar School as they will in September. For those students living outside of walking distance, travelling by bus will make their visit a realistic experience. Students from the out-of-town northern schools (Andreas, Ballaugh, Dhoon, Jurby, Laxey and Sulby) will be provided with bus passes via their current Year 6 teacher. These will also be provided to students from Bunscoill Rhumsaa who live out of town and will be utilising the bus from September.

Throughout the day we would like to be able to take photographs of the students during their induction activities. If you **<u>do not</u>** wish for your child's photographs to be included, please inform us by email/ phone.

If you have any further questions about the day, please email <u>rgsenquiries@sch.im</u> for the attention of myself or call the school office on 811100.

Kind regards

Wendy Johnson Head of Year 7 and Transition