



Oasis Academy Leesbrook

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1. How will the staff get to know my child and their needs before they start at Oasis Academy Leesbrook?

Our transition team are currently contacting your child's primary school to gather key information on all pupils. As well as this, they are collating information on any pupils with additional needs and will begin to put plans together with our Director of SEND.

2. How will my child's family group leader get to know my child?

At Oasis Academy Leesbrook we pride ourselves on being a tight knit family. Your child's needs are important to us and our family group leaders. Leesbrook has an excellent pastoral team, and over the coming weeks there will be more information on our website about introducing your child to their future teachers and family group leaders.

3. Who is the best person to speak to about my child's transition to Leesbrook?

Over the next couple of weeks we will be circulating information about your child's transition to Leesbrook. Please continue to check the transition page for updates. If you have any specific

questions you can contact us via email: LEE.Transition@oasisleesbrook.org

4. Where can I purchase the uniform from?

Zutti on Yorkshire Street, Oldham or you can find them online at Zutti.com. No other supplier is authorised to sell our uniform. Alternatively, you can look for more detailed information concerning your child's uniform requirements [here](#).

5. What type of bag and shoes should I wear to school?

Your child should wear a sensible bag to school and leather/leather type shoes which can be polished. Trainers, boots and heels are not permitted. Click [here](#) for more information.

6. How do we pay for lunches?

Oasis Academy Leesbrook operates on a cashless system. We use MCAS as a method of payment for a range of services at the Academy including lunches, trips and events.



7. Are there halal lunch options available?

Yes, food served at Leesbrook is halal. At lunchtime we encourage children to have an Academy meal. These are cooked on site and are nutritionally balanced. We always offer a choice including vegetarian and Halal. Menus are available to view on the school homepage. Lunch costs £2.37 per day and students entitled to free school means do not pay for lunch.

8. What is Family Dining?

At Oasis Academy Leesbrook, we operate on a family dining approach to lunches, where students sit together with their Family Group Leader and eat as a family. This is unique to Oasis Leesbrook. This not only helps our young people make friends across year groups, but also to feel the benefits of being part of the Oasis family. This promotes conversation and confidence building interaction.

9. Can my child bring a packed lunch?

Yes, of course. We ask parents and carers providing packed lunch to choose healthy options including fruit and vegetables, and water to drink.

10. How does the school support healthy eating?

As mentioned above, we insist in all our students having a healthy meal at breakfast and lunch times. In addition to this we do not permit sweets at break and lunch times. Students are also encouraged to bring a water bottle* to school each day which can be refilled at our fountains. We do not allow energy/fizzy drinks to be brought into the Academy.

*Plastic bottles must be purchased from reception and must be used to store water for the day. There are water fountains to top up water located around the Academy.

11. How do I let you know if my child has any medical needs or allergies?

You can notify us of any medical needs or allergies when you complete the transition form that will be sent home to all families. A member of the transition team will be available to discuss this further closer to your child's start date. All forms are checked and school will contact you should they need any more information.

12. Is breakfast available at school?

Prior to learning our Academy offers a breakfast club every day from 07:45 to 08:15 where students are able to have free, unlimited porridge, cereal and bagels. To learn more please [click here](#).

We encourage students to attend as it gives them an opportunity to socialise with their friends and talk to teachers before the school day begins.

13. How can I prepare my child for Oasis Academy Leesbrook?

We will be adding activities which will help your child with the transition to life at Oasis Academy Leesbrook. We will also be hosting a Year 6 transition day.

14. What are the school going to do to support my child in the absence of SAT's tests.

The school are already preparing assessments which will ensure that we know where your child is up to in their learning. Furthermore, our transition team is working closely with feeder primary schools to support us in this process. Feeder primaries will be informing us of all the learning that has taken place and the child's current learning level.

15. My child struggles to make new friends and is really worried about starting a new school. What can I do to provide further reassurance?

It is completely normal for any child to feel nervous about starting a new school. At Oasis Academy Leesbrook, we pride ourselves in ensuring every child who passes through our school gates feels immediately welcomed and a part of our school community. Our student ambassadors will be communicating with your child in the coming weeks via the website, so keep checking back. We are planning on inviting year 6 students to our transition day and summer academy to ensure that the transition process is as smooth as possible.

16. What equipment does my child need for school?

Your child will need a suitable school rucksack type bag, a full uniform and PE kit with their name on, a pencil case which should include: black pens, pencils, eraser, ruler, and sharpener as a minimum.

17. What is the best way to communicate with the school?

There are a number of ways you can communicate with the academy, you can contact the school via the transition page on the website, email or telephone.

18. Are there after school Cultural Enrichment clubs and how does my child sign up?

Leesbrook has a fantastic array of cultural enrichment clubs on offer to your child. All our students must attend two clubs a week as a minimum. You will be given more information about the clubs on offer to your child closer to starting in September.



Visit our website:

www.oasisacademyleesbrook.org/learning/transition/access-to-transition



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