



Dear Parents and carers

### **TRANSITION - Multi Activity Camp and Hockey Camp 2023**

We traditionally run a multi-activity transition summer camp and a hockey camp in the summer holidays before the start of the Autumn term.

Pupils can sign up to one or both of these camps.

The multi-activity camp will run from Monday 24 July to Thursday 27 July. Students attend all of these days from 9am to 3:30pm.

The Hockey Camp will run on Wednesday 30 August and Thursday 31 August. Students attend both of these days from 9am to 3:30pm.

### **[Camp sign up form link](#)**

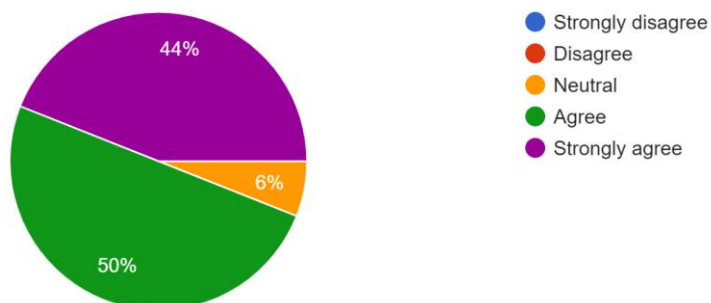
#### **FAQs**

- 1. Can I attend just one of the camps or do I have to do both?**
  - a. You can do one or both camps.
- 2. Do I need to have played hockey before to attend the camp ?**
  - a. Absolutely not - the purpose of the camp is for our new students to mix and ability is not a barrier to participation.
- 3. Will I be with my friends?**
  - a. The purpose of the camp is to meet with people from across the year group to help build new positive relationships. You may be with people you know, or you may not.
- 4. Are the camps compulsory/overnight**
  - a. No - these are optional and they are not overnight.
- 5. What will I need to bring?**
  - a. Letters will be sent out prior to the camp outlining the items you will need.
- 6. What will we be doing at the multi activity camp?**
  - a. A variety of activities in mixed groups including dance, drama, sports and art.
- 7. Are the Camps free?**
  - a. No, there is a charge explained on the next few pages. It is our wish that all children can participate in the camps so there are funds available to help you and information is contained in the link on page 3.

## Student feedback from last year's camp

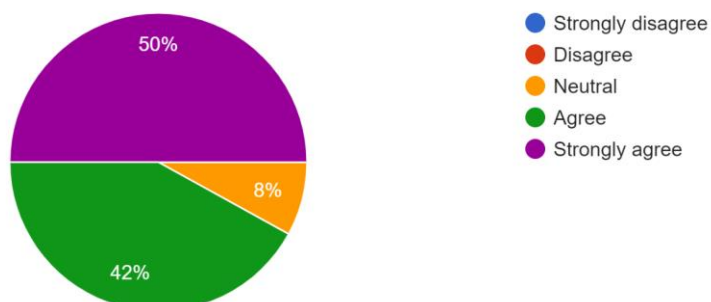
The camp was an enjoyable experience?

50 responses



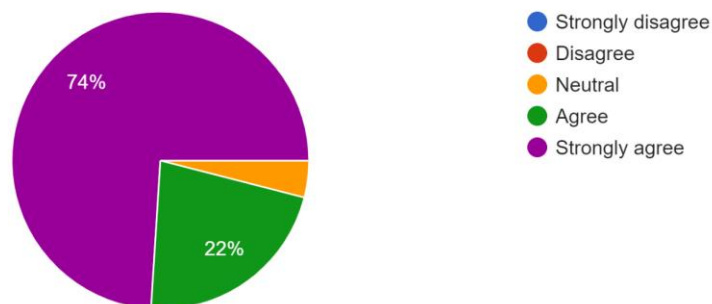
The camp helped me to foster some new positive relationships with other pupils?

50 responses



I would recommend the camp to future pupils joining Borlase?

50 responses



### Describe how the camp helped your transition experience.

It helped get a feel of the teachers and it helped me make new friends

Before going to the camp I was really scared about joining Borlase. I was worried that other people wouldn't like me and that I would get lost between lessons. However it really helped me understand what Borlase is all about and it made starting in September a whole lot easier.

It helped me to get a feel of the teachers and lessons and it helped make friends

The camp really helped me in the transition experience as I made many friends and got to experience the lessons.

It made me familiar with the location of blocks in the school

It helped me get a good view of the campus and make new friends.

I knew a lot more people and they weren't all strangers to me

I think I would have been much more apprehensive joining Borlase without attending the summer camp prior. In the camp, I made friends that I would never have known in the camp as I wasn't in their class, form or even house. I also made friends that, now, I hang out with every break time and already, can't remember life without.

It gave us some time on the school grounds, we met lots of the other pupils and therefore made friends with them, it eased any nervousness we had and also gave us a feel of what it would be like. I think it was great!

The camp helped my transition into Borlase by letting me find my way around the school and getting to know the other pupils and staff better.

I also found it boosted my confidence and made me want to start school sooner.

### Cost and payment

The cost of the camps are as follows:

- Hockey Camp - £100 for 2 days
- Multi-Activity Camp - £200 for all 4 days

Please log onto [www.parentpay.com](http://www.parentpay.com) by **Friday 23 June 2023**. If you need another copy of your activation details please email [parentpay@swbgs.com](mailto:parentpay@swbgs.com). We cannot accept cash or cheques.

In line with the school's charging policy, charity funds exist to assist families whose financial circumstances would otherwise prevent their child from participating in either of the multi-activity or hockey camps. If financial support is required for either of the camps, please contact the school office via [parents@swbgs.com](mailto:parents@swbgs.com).

We are able to accept payment by childcare voucher provider Edenred for new year 7 summer camps only. After these camps, we are not able to accept childcare vouchers for any other trips, activities or school clubs. If you would like to pay for these camps using this method, please email [parentpay@swbgs.com](mailto:parentpay@swbgs.com).

Please also ensure you have submitted your sign up form (top of this letter) **by Friday 23 June 2023**. You may edit your submission at any point prior to this date. Once we have received the sign up numbers we will email you about the specific camp details, ie day allocation/kit list etc. We will email details/arrangements out to parents in early July before the camps begin.

If you have any questions about our transition and induction process, please contact the school at [year7transition2023@swbgs.com](mailto:year7transition2023@swbgs.com)

Yours faithfully

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