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## Exciting times ahead

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### Keystone Transition Days

The planning for the Keystone Academy Transition Days has been long in the making and we were delighted to finally get to meet our students and their families on Monday 4th and Tuesday 5th July.



On the 4th, students and their families were invited to come in to the building that will be our home from September and meet Mrs Bellaby, Miss Heynen and Mr Blundred . As well as getting to meet key staff, there was also the chance to take a sneak peak at our new uniform and take a tour of the building.

On the 5th, students and their families met more of the Keystone team at Wood Lane in Ellesmere. The beautiful woodland surroundings provided the perfect backdrop for everyone to relax and get to know each other a little better. During the day students had the opportunity to observe nature a little more closely. Using classification charts and magnifying pots, the students went foraging through the undergrowth, looking under logs and rocks , and searching leaves and branches to try and find some mini-beasts. Students also had the chance to turn their

hand to some fire lighting before toasting marshmallows. Towards the end students, families and staff relaxed with picnics after a fun filled day.

We know that starting a new school brings about a mixture of emotions including excitement and nervousness. We hope that these days have helped to support everyone with the transition. As always, if you have any questions about starting in September, please get in touch.

Enjoy the summer!



#### Information Station

- **First day at Keystone**— Fri 2nd September (8.30am—1.30pm)
- **Uniform** either contact Liz Heynen at [e.heynen@thekeystoneacademy.org](mailto:e.heynen@thekeystoneacademy.org) for more information. Or orders can be made online at: [www.schoolshopdirect.co.uk](http://www.schoolshopdirect.co.uk)
- **Building work** for the permanent academy is due to start this September so we can move in during September 2023



## Staff profile — Mr Garton

Hi, my name is Mr Garton and I will be teaching science at Keystone Academy. Science is all around us and I am really passionate about exploring our world and learning creatively. If you often find yourself wondering how? or why? then science is definitely the place for you!

I am really excited about

meeting you all and getting to know more about your interests and experiences. My wife and I are moving all the way from Kent over the summer so we would be grateful for tips of what to do in the area.

I enjoy being outside and with nature. I currently have a pet dog (Rupert), tortoise (Tortellini) and

snail (Frank) but have been lucky enough to see many other animals around the world. When not doing something with animals I am often rock climbing or walking. On rainy days I tend to get lost in one of my many board games or get stuck into some cooking.



## Staff profile — Mrs Rutter

Hello everyone – my name is Mrs Rutter and I'll be joining Keystone Academy in September as the Office Manager. I'm really looking forward to meeting all the new students and their families and will be on hand to help with infor-

mation and support as much as I can.

I live in Shrewsbury with my husband and our grown up son. I spend my spare time doing lots of walking and hiking around the beautiful Shropshire countryside. I also enjoy cooking, espe-

cially making (and eating!) cakes.

I hope you all have a brilliant Summer holiday and I'm looking forward to getting to know you all in September!



## Staff profile — Mrs Brammer

Hello everyone! My name is Mrs Brammer and I am looking forward to meeting you all at the Keystone Academy where I will be joining you as a Teaching Assistant. I live in the countryside with my family near Shrewsbury, where I love going for walks with my

dog Harvey, he is a little Cavapoo with a big personality! My favourite hobby is gardening, I love to take small flower seeds and watch them grow and blossom into fantastic flowers, it's all very rewarding! And I'm sure equally rewarding will be to watch you all

blossom and grow into fantastic students.

It's all very exciting to be starting at a new school and I will be there to help you along the way.

Enjoy the summer and I will see you in September.