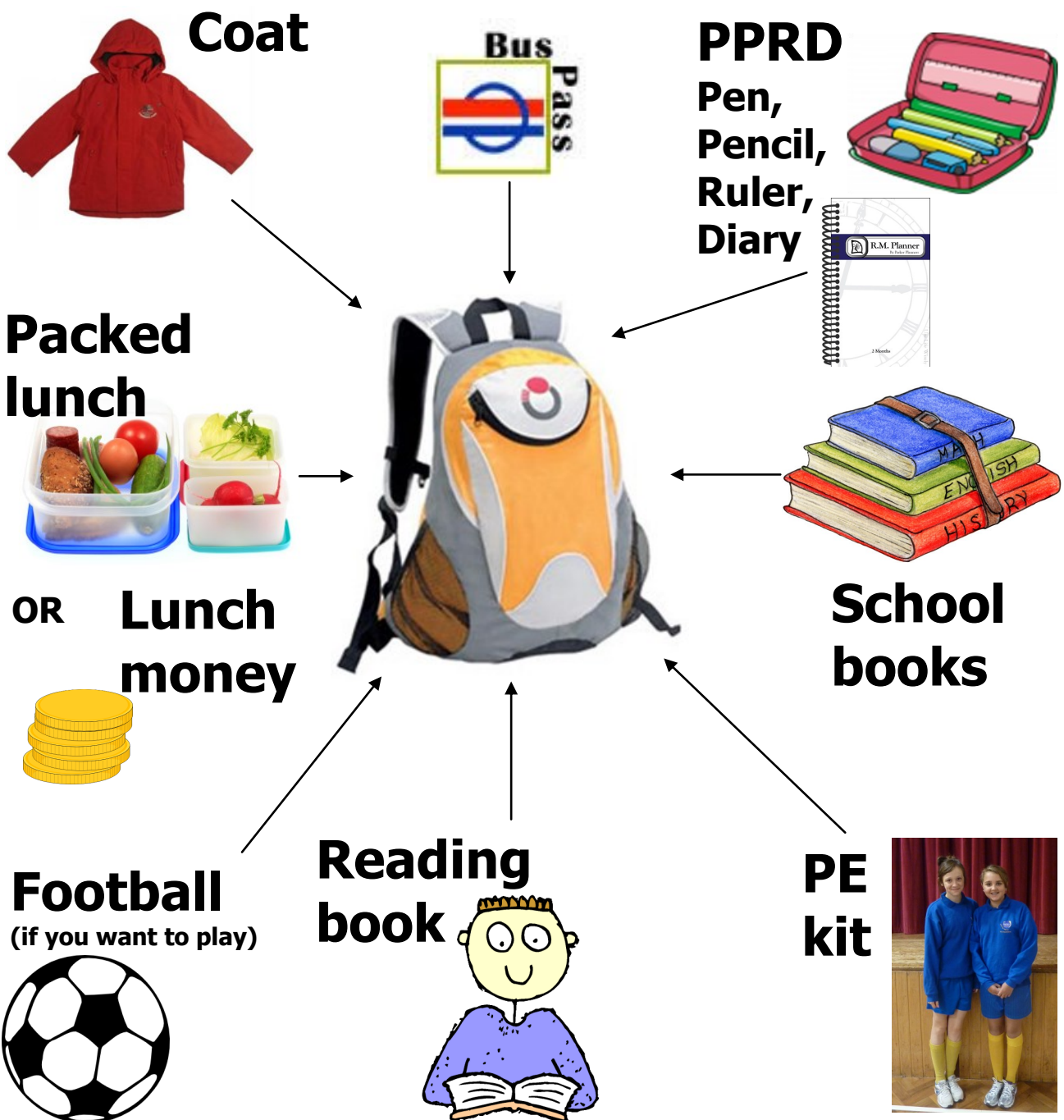




Welcome to Ratton School

Remember to pack your bag the night before secondary school



Children



1. **Come prepared:**

- Remember which people can help you with questions or worries
- Think about the things you would like to see and ask about on your visit
- Find out if there are any friends or neighbours you can travel to school with

2. **Come to Ratton School transition events before you start:**

- For example the New Intake Evening, Taster Day, and Meet the Tutor appointment

3. **Find your way around:**

- Don't worry if you get lost
- Use the maps and ask people for help, people are very friendly at Ratton
- Make new friends and ask the Ratton 'buddies' for help
- Learn the times of the school day ... and leave time to get to your next lesson at break and lunch
- Learn the lessons you will be studying and where they are taught
- Find out about any clubs and activities that might interest you

Parents/Carers



1. **Communicate with Ratton:**

- Clear your diary for the induction events (for example New Intake Evening on Thursday 19th June 2014, Taster Day on Tuesday 1st July 2014 and Meet the Tutor appointment in term 6)
- Complete the form which asks for the names of friends you would like your son/daughter to be with and return it to your son / daughter's class teacher to return to Ratton School

2. **How you can support the move:**

- Find out about any clubs or activities that might interest your son/daughter
- Find out if there are any friends or neighbours your child can travel to school with
- Acknowledge any feelings of nervousness your child may have and reassure them that this is normal. Remind them of the people at Ratton who are there to help
- If appropriate, help to organise your child's equipment, making sure they have the correct items they need in their bag each day
- Contact your child's tutor in your school if you have any concerns or queries
- Use the Meet the Tutor appointment to raise any particular needs your child has if these haven't been raised beforehand