

18 June 2021

Dear parent/carer

Re: Transition Week

I am writing to provide an update on our arrangements for Transition Week 2021. Initially, our plans were to host a face-to-face Transition Week from 6 – 9 July. Our hope was that with national Covid-19 restrictions being lifted on the 21 June, this would be a viable opportunity for our new Year 7 students to engage in a full face-to-face programme, including an off-site trip.

Unfortunately, following the announcement from the Prime Minister on 15 June, news of the extension to Covid-19 restrictions to the 19 July and the rising national cases of Covid-19, we no longer believe that a face-to-face Transition Week would be in the best interests of our local community, families of young people attending, or our feeder Primary Schools as their students return to their normal classes after Transition.

Therefore, in consultation with Academy Transformation Trust, we are moving our Transition offer for 2021 to a Virtual Event. We are working quickly to resolve how this will look, and to ensure that our Transition offer remains exceedingly high quality.

We will, of course, be running bespoke Transition events face-to-face for those students who are most vulnerable, particularly SEND students, who will require additional support in advance of their arrival with us.

We are exploring further options for some face-to-face Transition activity for our new Year 7 students, perhaps linking to our Summer School offer. I will work with all parents and carers in advance of this to confirm our agenda as we approach September.

I would like to reassure you that we will be doing all we can to ensure that your child has a full and supportive Transition experience, and we will seek to provide further opportunities as we progress through the summer and into September.

I will write to you in due course to confirm the exact details of our Virtual Transition offer, so please watch out for an updated Transition pack in the post.

Further, Mr Rae will send a letter later today to gain expressions of interest for a proposed Summer School week commencing 2 August 2021.

Kind regards



Mr Mike Brett
Assistant Principal