



Tuesday 23rd June 2020

Dear Year 6 Parent/Carer

Updates on Transition 2020

It seems a good time to write to you again as to how we are doing in terms of Transition.

Much has happened since my last letter at the beginning of June and I hope we continue to build good levels of trust and confidence with you. These are challenging times and you need some peace of mind as to your child moving from Primary to Secondary.

I have been incredibly impressed by my colleagues in how they have dealt with this 'virtual' transition. You will remember in my previous letter that I identified a number of things that we wanted to achieve over the coming weeks. I believe all of these are either happening or about to happen.

Our transition website has now been updated. You are aware of the names of key school staff, and we continue to be in touch with Primary School colleagues so we have up to date information about your children. In respect of questions on uniform, school transport, lockers etc...please look to the website in the first instance.

Karen Hopper is reading every one of the Pen Portraits and Treasure Chests that you are sending through and sharing with me some real gems. Keep them coming! We have also sent to you information on a Numeracy programme that you may find useful and our own Reading Aloud initiative (ignore The Gruffalo...very poor effort from our Leadership Team!).

In the next few days we will be sharing with you the tutor groups that your children will be in. Always a challenge but we are spending much time on this to get it right based on the information you and our Primary Schools have provided. What we are finding out is that we have a remarkable group of young people joining us in September - such talent, everyone a separate individual.

About September....it is important for you to know that we are looking very carefully as to how we start next term. It will not be the same as previous years and we will do everything we can to make sure your children are our priority in terms of settling, establishing routines and feeling confident.

As always, if you have any individual questions or concerns please write in to TransitionContact@dchs-alnwick.uk.

Take Care, Keep Safe, Be Kind

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