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Dear parents and guardians,

## Re: transition arrangements for Year 7 2023-24

You will be receiving in the post the 2023/ 2024 Welcome Booklet, along with our welcome letter and data collection sheet. Please return the data collection sheet to us as soon as possible, as it's very important that we have your child's details before transition in July.

## Transition days : Wednesday 12th July and Thursday 13th July 2023

Your son/daughter is invited to sample two days at the National Academy. The children are expected to wear their primary school uniform and the only equipment they will require for these days is a pen or pencil and a note book. Pupils may have an opportunity to sample a P.E. lesson; there is no need for them to bring a change of clothes but they will need to either wear or bring a pair of training shoes for this.

Your child will need to bring a packed lunch each day. If your child is entitled to free school meals, please let us know and we will arrange for a packed lunch for them.

Please leave your child *at the school gate* around 8.30 a.m. in the capable hands of the Big School Buddies, who will guide them into school. The children will be taken to the Canon Williams Hall where the activities for the day will begin at 8.45 a.m. If pupils arrive at school early, they will be directed to their designated zone/ area. During the two days, the children will experience a variety of lessons, meet staff, join their Home Group and begin to make friends.

#### Communication – ParentMail

It is vital that we have a current parental email address as our communication is fully electronic, so please ensure you return the data collection sheet to the academy as soon as possible.

## Vision: 'Life in all its fullness' (John 10:10)



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## Starting school in September

Year 7 students will start school after the summer break on Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> September 2023, a school day ahead of other year groups. They will follow a transition timetable for the first day to prepare them for starting the curriculum properly on Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> September.

# Parents' Welcome Event (parents only) – Monday 17th July 2023, 6 p.m.

I am delighted to invite you to the above event in the Sports Hall at the academy. There will be a presentation, and after this there will be an opportunity to talk to key members of the pastoral team including Mr Beaver, Year 7 Head of Year; Mrs Soltysik, Year 7 Assistant Head of Year; and Mrs Stones, Assistant Headteacher/ SENCO.

Uniform suppliers will be present, our current recognised suppliers are Hucknall Sports and Schoolwear Solutions.

## <u>Uniform</u>

To confirm, year 7 will need a school tie with a green stripe. All other items are as detailed in the Welcome Booklet sent in March.

We are looking forward to meeting your son/daughter and supporting them as they join and prosper in our academy community.

Yours sincerely,

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Mrs K Soltysik Transition leader

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Mr M Brailsford Head Teacher