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Dear parents and guardians,

Transition arrangements for Year 7 2024-25

We are looking forward to welcoming your child to The National Academy in September.

Please find enclosed the 2024/ 2025 Welcome Booklet, which we hope you and your child will find useful in answering some of the questions you may have. The booklet contains lots of information about our transition process, and starting at National, but please see below further details which will be useful for you and your child.

Important dates (further information below):

Wednesday 10th July and Thursday 11th July 2024	Transition days at National
Monday 15th July 2024, 6 p.m.	Meet the tutor evening (parents/ carers only)
Wednesday 4th September 2024	First school day for Year 7s
Thursday 5th September 2025	First whole school day for all year groups

Transition days: Wednesday 10th July and Thursday 11th July 2024

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.

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



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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 directed to their designated zone/ area and the day will begin at 8.45am. During the two days, the children will experience a variety of lessons, meet staff, join their Home Group and begin to make friends.

The children will finish at 3.10pm on both days. If you are collecting your child from school, please arrange with them beforehand where you will meet them; please remember you will not be able to come on to school grounds to park or wait for your children, and that the school gates are very busy as the children leave at the end of the day. Please also do not park along Annesley Road near the school as this is unsafe for pedestrians and drivers.

Meet the Tutor Evening (parents only) – Monday 15th July 2024, 6 p.m.

We are 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 meet with your child's allocated tutor and Head of Year 7.

Communication – ParentMail

Please keep an eye on your email over the coming term and summer, as you will be receiving (by September) and invitation to join ParentMail, which we use to send out information to parents. Please sign up to the app when you receive the invite.

Thank you to the majority of parents who have now returned the data collection sheet (as posted out to you in March). If you have not done this yet please do complete and return the form to school as soon as possible.

Starting school in September

Year 7 students will start school after the summer break on Wednesday 4th September 2024, 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 5th September.

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

Yours sincerely,



Mrs K Soltysik
Transition leader



Mr M Brailsford
Head Teacher