

Headteacher: Mrs H L Millett

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Dear Parent / Carer

Having received the list of students who have been allocated places for Year 7 next year, I should like to extend a warm welcome to Stokesley School – thank you for choosing us to educate your child, a responsibility we take very seriously. In our school, the motto 'being the best you can be' encapsulates our values: we want every child to learn and achieve irrespective of their starting point or social background. To this end, we place a strong emphasis on our vision of all students, and staff, being *ambitious*, *ready* and *respectful* and look forward to being supported by you as parents and carers in this endeavour.

Our staff work hard to help the children settle quickly into the school: in the next few months, we will begin working closely with primary colleagues to facilitate the transition. In fact, our Special Educational Needs Coordinator, Mrs McGreal, has already begun this process for our most vulnerable Y6 students. Under normal circumstances, the children would also spend several days with us in the summer term to provide them with an induction to secondary school life. As part of this induction process, you ordinarily have the opportunity to meet staff and to order uniform at one of our sizing events. The planned dates for these events are shown below:

IMPORTANT DATES	Inductions Days for Students	Parent's Evening	Uniform Sizing Event
Wednesday 8 th July 2020	✓	✓	√
Thursday 9 th July 2020	✓		✓
Friday 10 th July 2020	✓		√

Clearly, at this stage, we are unclear as to whether our standard transition events will go ahead, but rest assured we are already working on a plan A, B and C! Whatever happens nationally in this very challenging time, ensuring our new Y7 students have a brilliant start to secondary school is high on our list of current priorities. We have lots of information we can send to you remotely and are currently working on improving the transition area of our website.

As the situation with lockdown and school closures is ever-changing, we would really like to stay in close contact with you. Our admin team is currently preparing data packs so that we can capture all of your contact details and other important information about your child. You can access and complete this data pack in one of two ways:

- email year6transitions@stokesleyschool.org and we will return it to your email address;
- visit our website <u>www.stokesleyschool.org</u> (About us > Transition) and download an editable form to complete and email or post back.

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Please return your son or daughter's information along with your contact details as soon as possible so we can log him or her onto our system, and keep you fully informed as our plans for transition evolve.

We look forward to seeing you soon, whether virtually or in person, as part of the Stokesley School community as your child begins the next seven years of their exciting educational journey.

Yours sincerely

Mrs. H.L. Millett Headteacher