

St Paul's C of E Junior School

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Dear Parents,

RE: Year 6 Transition to Secondary School

I hope you and your family are all keeping safe and well.

We have received the list of secondary places offered to our Year 6 pupils and under normal circumstances, we would be in the process of arranging for Year 7 colleagues to visit St Paul's to talk to the children and their teachers.

Rest assured that although St Paul's is closed, we are still working closely with secondary staff to provide comprehensive information about every child who will be joining Year 7 in September. Mrs Wilson, Miss Edwards, Mrs Bond and Miss Gilder are busy completing transition forms and Mrs Walker is liaising with Inclusion staff regarding our SEND pupils.

Earlier today, the Year 6 teachers sent a transition form to each pupil via the Learning Platform. It contains questions about each child's hobbies, favourite subjects, things they find tricky at school etc. These details will be used to help give a more rounded picture of your child when the teachers have online video conferences with Year 7 colleagues. Please encourage your child to think carefully about their responses and return the form by the end of this week. When sending the form back, it should be attached to a new message, putting 'Transition' as the subject.

This year, more than ever, the period between now and September will be an anxious time and to support you and your child, we have bought a copy of 'Going to Secondary School - 101 Tips' as a gift. This book is full of practical advice and covers issues such as the organisation of secondary schools, uniform matters, homework, Parents' Evenings etc. and will hopefully complement the information and advice you receive from your child's new school. Members of our staff will hand deliver a copy of the book to your home over the next few days; please look out for it.

In terms of how we will be celebrating our fabulous Year 6 pupils and their time at St Paul's, we will be following the time-honoured tradition of a special Leavers' Service, BBQ & Disco, shirt signing and autograph collection. Dates will be set once we know that it will be completely safe to bring all of the year group back together again.

In the meantime, if there is anything we may be able to help or support you with regarding secondary transfer, please contact us via <u>admin@stpauls.wokingham.sch.uk</u>

Yours faithfully, Tubieance Taylor

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