

27th May 2021

Dear Parents/Carers,

Having written two previous letters in which I was unable to confirm the arrangement for Induction Evening and Day, I am pleased to be able to write to you now to confirm these details. Given how important it is for our new pupils to be able to visit the school and to meet key staff and their new tutors, we very much wish to conduct both of these events in person. Clearly, the restrictions as they currently stand would not allow this, and there are increasing concerns that the proposed lifting of restrictions scheduled for 21st June will be delayed. Mindful that we will not know whether this is the case until very near to the date of Induction Day, we have moved the date of **Induction Evening to Thursday 8th July**, and **Induction Day to Friday 9th July**. This has been done in consultation with our main feeder schools, and I would like to thank their Headteachers for their flexibility in helping us to move this date. This will hopefully enable these events to take place as usual, with all of the pupils attending to begin their secondary school journey. I will write to you nearer the time with specific details of the arrangements for these days, but wanted to make you aware of the change in the date as soon as possible.

In my last letter at the beginning of the month, I enclosed some information regarding our e-mentoring programme, which I am pleased to say has received a number of enquiries already. I am now attaching a more comprehensive **information pack** which contains key information that you will need both before September, and once your child has started with us. I hope that you find this useful.

When your child joins The Sweyne Park School, you automatically become a member of the **Sweyne Park School Parent / Teacher Association (PTA)**. Although the main aim of the PTA is to raise funds for the school, it also incorporates a **Parents' Forum** where various ideas and issues can be discussed informally between parents and the school's senior leadership team.

Over the last two years, the PTA has been revitalised by the recruitment of a number of willing helpers, and we hope that many of our new Year 7 parents will be willing to join them! If you would like to get involved with The Sweyne Park School PTA and Parents' Forum, then we would be very pleased to hear from you. Our PTA is different from most primary school PTAs and there is no commitment or expectation that parents will support all events - you can do as little or as much as you wish to, and the PTA will be pleased to welcome you. You can contact the PTA through Kerry Wilby, Headteacher's PA, via email (admin@sweynepark.com).

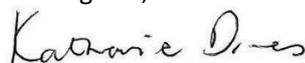
Also attached to the email you have received is a Confidential School Information Form. While this contains some information that we have already, it requests additional information that the school is required to hold. Further information regarding this can be received from Fiona Jones, Pupil Services Manager via email (pupilservices@sweynepark.com). Attached also is a ParentPay consent form. This will enable you to pay for your child's food at school and is the method we use for payments for school trips. Both these forms can be accessed via the links below:

[Confidential Information Form](#)

[ParentPay Consent Form](#)

Finally, if you should have any problems or queries, please do not hesitate to contact us, and in the meantime, I very much look forward to meeting you in the near future.

Kind regards,



Katharine Dines
Headteacher

