

6th May 2021

Dear Parents/Carers

I last wrote to you in March explaining that, while we have confirmed our dates for Induction Evening and Day, we were unable to confirm whether those events will take place in person or virtually. Unfortunately, we are still not in a position to confirm this, because we do not yet have confirmation of the restrictions that will be in place at this time. However, the news does appear to be positive in that the Government is proceeding with the roadmap as planned, and this leaves us hopeful that we will be able to run at least Induction Day in school as normal. Please rest assured that I will write to you as soon as possible to confirm the final arrangements.

In the meantime, our Head of Year 7, Miss Taylor, and our Assistant Headteacher, Mr Bradley, who oversees Year 7, have begun the process of **visiting your children in their primary school**, and speaking with their teachers to gather information so that we are able to support them effectively both through the transition process and when they join us in September. It is very much our hope that we will be able to visit all of our main feeder schools before Induction Day, and that we will be able to welcome pupils from our smaller schools to an event in school in July. This has proved valuable for those pupils in previous years, but will, of course, depend on the restrictions in place at that time.

In order to ensure that we have the most up-to-date contact details for you and your child, please complete the online School Acceptance Form, which can be accessed by clicking on the following link:

[School Acceptance Form](#)

We have also begun our **E-Mentoring Programme** again this year. The aim of e-mentoring is to answer questions from Year 6 pupils about anything to do with coming to Sweyne Park. All questions are answered by a team of Year 7 pupils, led by our Assistant Head of Year 7, Miss Nicholls. Attached to this email is a leaflet for your child explaining the programme, which we very much hope will be of benefit to them. If you would like your child to participate, please include their email address on the School Acceptance Form. We will only be able to reply to emails from Year 6 pupils who have registered with us.

This year, we will be running a **Summer School** for Year 6 pupils, from **Thursday 22nd July to Wednesday 28th July** (excluding the weekend). The aim of this is to enable your child to build a community with their fellow pupils, forge relationships with some of their teachers, and school staff, and to familiarise themselves with the new environment. There will be a mixture of sessions, including teaching in some of the subjects that the pupils will be studying when they join us in September, such as English, Maths, Science, History, Geography and Computer Science, as well as enrichment activities such as Drama and Sport. I will write to you in greater detail about this nearer the time, but in the meantime, I would be very grateful if you would use the School Acceptance Form to register your interest in the Summer School before Monday 10th May, which will very much help with our planning.

If you do have any questions regarding any aspect of your child's transition to secondary school, please do not hesitate to contact us by emailing pupilservices@sweynepark.com who will direct your query to the relevant member of staff who will get back to you.

Kind regards



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Headteacher