

Fulford School

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Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope this letter finds you and your family well. I am writing to keep you updated with the current planned events linked to Year 6 into Year 7 Transition.

Year 6 Taster Day 7/7/21

Unfortunately the planned Year 6 transition day on 7th July 2021 has been cancelled. Guidance from the Department for Education and local authority prevents this from being able to take place. From speaking to year 6 teachers I know how disappointed your children will be that they're unable to visit prior to starting with us in September. We were sincerely looking forward to having them with us and know how important that day would have been in easing any concerns and being able to visualise their new school setting. In it's place, we will ensure you and your child have access to some videos that will explain some key information and give them insight into life at Fulford.

Year 6 Parent Information Evening 7/7/21

Again taking guidance from the local authority and in true 2020/2021 style, the Year 6 Parent Information Evening will now take place via Zoom on Wednesday 7th July. This event provides an important opportunity to share information and for families to be introduced to key staff. We will be sending out a link and joining arrangements soon.

In the mean time, please can I enourage you and your child to visit the Year 6 Transition area of our website: https://fulford.york.sch.uk/y6-transition-2021/. This is a resource for parents and students which contains videos about the school and other key information. These videos have been created to try and reduce any worries and build confidence about the prospect of joining Fulford School. This is where we will add new videos in the coming weeks with more up to date and detailed information.

Transition Tasks

I would like to say a huge thank you for sending through completed transition tasks from our website. Reading these, alongside talking to year 6 teachers and reading the returned yellow forms have given us an excellent insight into our new Year 7. We feel ready to meet them! The weekly tasks can be found in the materials to support transition section here. Please encourage your son or daughter to complete these tasks where possible. We'd love to receive the completed tasks; these can be returned via email to year6transition@fulford.york.sch.uk. These tasks are based on ideas that originate from a book written by Matthew Syed called 'You Are Awesome'. This is a fantastic book, the ideas within which, align with the personal characteristics we are constantly looking to develop within our students.

First Day

Your child will be starting with us on Wednesday 8th September. Only Year 7, Year 11 and Year 12 will be present in school on that day. We have previously found having reduced numbers on their first day beneficial and a little less overwhelming for our new starters. Their first few days will have a true transition focus, we want to make them feel comfortable and happy in school as soon as we possibly can. Our priorities will be ensuring they get chance to know their form tutor, familiarising themselves with the school site, making new friends, having their school photograph taken and getting to know their teachers. I hope they are as excited to start as we are to meet them.

We are very much looking forward to working with you as parents and your child over the coming years. Please continue to contact us on year6transition@fulford.york.sch.uk if you have any questions or require any further information.

Yours sincerely

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