

Dear Parents/Carers,

I hope that you and your loved ones continue to be happy and healthy as we progress through this lockdown period.

I am pleased to confirm that the 'Year 6 Transition' section, mentioned in my last communication, is now fully available on our website via the 'About Davison' column. Please take some time to have a look at the wide variety of documentation available by 'scrolling down' through this section. We have also added a number of welcome videos from many colleagues, who will be working closely with your daughter, as well as one which shows 'A Year in the Life of Davison'. I hope you and your daughter enjoy this section and feel reassured that there is a great deal to look forward to when we get together. In advance of this, we have already distributed information on the colour family your daughter will be joining. Please rest assured that we do our very best to accommodate all wishes, in terms of friendship groups. Time and time again...we see Year 7 students make new friends incredibly quickly so please reassure your daughters that we will look after them whilst they are finding their feet. Any concerns about form groups quickly disappear once the students get started. In terms of getting started...please look out for the email information on FROG, our online home-learning portal, which is coming out early next week. You, and your daughter, will be able to log on and see lots of information on our various subject areas and the topics we cover.

One definite change, from my last communication, is that **we have decided to move our Year 6 Induction day to Monday 7th September 2020.** (Information on timings will be forwarded once the most up-to-date Government guidance has been issued.) We have taken this decision because, as I write this letter, we still await guidance as to how schools will be expected to reintegrate all students from September 2020. In view of this, we feel that we will need to spend additional time training our staff on what might be very new procedures aimed at ensuring the optimal Health and Safety of all students and staff. Factoring in this additional training time will also give us a better opportunity to change planning if there is any change to Government policy as a result of a local/national spike in the contraction rate of COVID-19.

We can't wait to see your daughters arriving on induction day in their full school uniforms! The Year 6 Transition directory gives full information on uniform and also gives details regarding our forthcoming pre-loved uniform sale, taking place on 7th and 8th July.

All that remains is to wish you a wonderful summer with your family and friends. I cannot thank you enough for trusting Davison to be the school of choice for your daughter. We are all really excited to work in partnership with you over the next five years.

Yours faithfully,

Chris Keating
Headteacher.
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