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Transition to Penkridge Middle School 2021

Dear parents and carers,

It was a delight to virtually meet with our local feeder schools and speak to Y4 for a question and answer afternoon earlier this term. Many thoughtful questions were posed to Mrs Walker and I, which we hope we were able to answer to the satisfaction of Y4! I can assure you that a great first impression was made by all and our next step is to meet in person.

Transition Day Tuesday 6th July 2021

Due to restrictions currently in place regarding COVID-19, the transition process will continue to be a little different this year. Needless to say, we are keeping up to date with current guidance and will ensure students still receive an excellent transition experience.

We know that moving from First/Primary School to Middle School is an exciting time for our children. They have new uniform, meet new friends and have new opportunities for learning. They also benefit from moving between specialist classrooms, using specialist equipment and meeting a range of different teachers. Our team of teaching and non-teaching staff are looking forward to welcoming your child to Penkridge Middle School on **Tuesday 6th July 2021**.

If your child attends a local feeder school (St. Michaels, Marshbrook, Princefield or St. Leonards) please drop your child off at first school as normal. These schools will communicate with you their arrangements to transport children to Penkridge Middle School.

If your child currently attends an out of catchment school, please bring your child to Penkridge Middle School for 9:30am. This includes children joining Y7 in September.

Children should **arrive in their current school uniform at 9:30am**. Along with a coat (weather dependant), they should bring with them a packed lunch, water bottle and pencil case for the day's activities. Children may also bring up to £2 to spend at break and lunch at our snack & drink trolleys.

Children of St. Michaels, Marshbrook and Princefield will return to their first school at 2:30pm ready to be collected as normal. Parents of children from St. Leonards or out of catchment should collect their child from Penkridge Middle School at 2:30pm.

On the evening of Tuesday 6th July 2021, we will release a transition video through our school website and Facebook page to provide parents with a reminder of the key information needed ahead of September.

Should the situation change, we will contact you and if you have any queries relating to transition please feel free to email office@penkridge.staffs.sch.uk

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Getting Ready for September

We would like to offer my thanks to all families who have taken time to read and agree to our home school agreement. If you are yet to do this you can find a copy to read along with the short confirmation survey here: [Home school agreement form](#)

In addition, your prompt response in returning personal details to the office has been much appreciated and allowed the office to begin preparing your child's file ahead of September. If you are yet to do this, please refer and respond to the guidance emailed directly to you by the school office.

Finally, I know many of you have started planning to purchase uniform based on the uniform policy we emailed to you. A copy of our uniform policy for September can also be found on our new school website at the following link: <https://www.penkridge-middle.org/>

We look forward to meeting all children in person and welcoming them into the Penkridge Middle family. We know that if your son or daughter arrives at Penkridge Middle School demonstrating excellent attitude, effort and behaviour then they will be hugely successful.

Yours faithfully,

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