

FAO Year 6 Parent

I wrote to you in May regarding the transition process for your son/daughter who will be starting Year 7 at Serlby Park Academy in September 2020. In that letter I expressed my desire to have the pupils in the Academy before we broke up for summer but did say we had started putting contingency plans in place in case this would not be possible.

In the hope of having a face to face transition process we have held off making an announcement for as long as possible but due to the current Covid-19 situation and the health & safety guidance we are working from, we have now made the decision that this is not feasible and transition will have to take place in a different way this year.

There has already been a lot of work which has gone on behind the scenes to prepare for this and all staff at Serlby Park Academy will be working tirelessly to ensure we offer the best transition possible even in these challenging times.

The plan for transition is as follows:

- A 'transition' tab has been set up on the Serlby Park Academy website. There is also a Year 6 Transition twitter account with the handle @Serlby_yr6. These are the places where any new information will be placed so we recommend that you check them regularly.
- A video is being created for pupils that will include a virtual tour of the Academy and an introduction to key members of staff, including; SLT, the pastoral team, heads of faculty and year 7 form tutors.
- Teachers in each faculty are creating interactive lessons that pupils can access online. This will help to bridge the gap between key stage 2 &3 and prepare them for what to expect when they start lessons in September.
- You will receive a transition pack through the post which will include a 'Moving Up' guide with all the key information we think you and your child will need to know prior to September. We recommend you spend some time reading this with your child and make a note of any questions you may still have.
- In the pack there will also be workbooks that your child can work through over the summer holidays in preparation for September.
- After receiving and having time to read the transition pack, there will be several zoom meetings that all parents will be invited to join. On these conference calls you can ask key staff any questions that you or your child may still have.

If you have any further questions or queries you can contact Mrs Tweed (our Year 7 Learning Manager and Transition Co-ordinator) between 8am – 4pm on 07904663119.

Yours sincerely

Mr J Hodgson
Vice Principal