

Dear Parent/Carer,

As we approach the summer holidays, I would like to provide you with some final information on how we plan to organise the beginning of term in September. We are all very much looking forward to welcoming our new Year 7 pupils, as part of our school community.

By now, you should have received a transition pack, with information on uniform, term dates etc. Your child may have also taken part in a zoom meeting at their primary setting, to help them prepare and settle any nerves. We hope you have found this useful.

Part of our school uniform includes a tie, associated with the House group in which your child has been placed.

Your child's House will be **DURHAM**, so they will require a tie to represent this. Your child's form group will be either **7S, 7T or 7N**.

We also need to inform you of changes we have had to make to the start of term, in relation to government guidelines on mass testing for COVID-19, which requires all pupils to be tested on arrival in September. We want to reassure you that our approach to this for our new pupils has been planned with care and consideration for yet another new experience and we ask for your support with this.

The year group will arrive to school on **Thursday 2nd September** in two halves. They will be greeted by myself in the main hall and asked to complete their test before joining their form tutor and tutor group for some team building activities and an introduction to life at ATS. Clear instructions and support will be in place during this time. There are also details on our school website relating to testing: [COVID-19 | Archbishop Temple School](#).

Your child should **arrive to school at 9.15am**. Pupils should make their way up the school drive and into the main building. We cannot allow access into school to anyone other than year 7 pupils – we again, ask for your cooperation with this. The school day will conclude at the usual time of 2.45pm.

Please complete the consent form via the link below before Friday 23rd July.

<https://forms.gle/PjJVbm5BwFvytEmr9>

Once again, we would like to thank you for your support and cooperation with such an uncertain and ever-changing situation. Your child's happiness is of the utmost importance to us and we will be doing everything we can to alleviate any worries or concerns they may have on arrival. Our main aims are to provide a nurturing, safe environment for all.

Wishing you a safe and enjoyable summer holiday.

Yours Sincerely

Miss Cross (Head of Y7 and Transition)