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Dear Parent/Guardian

Transition Evening Webinar – Thursday 24 June at 6.00pm

We hope you are well and are looking forward to an exciting end of term. We are disappointed that we are not meeting in person but it certainly won't be long for those of you who have already signed up for Summer School!

Here is some more information about the events in the weeks to come.

Welcome Evening

In light of the extension to the current restrictions, unfortunately this evening is cannot go ahead in person. This will be replaced by an online webinar and like last year, we will replicate the 'in person' experience as much as we can. Mrs MacLaren (Head of School) and Mrs Oliver (Assistant Headteacher) will host a webinar for our Year 6 students and their families and of course, other students in Year 4 or 5 are welcome to join us to get a flavour of who we are and what we do.

In preparation for the event we would like to receive questions from you and your child. What do you want to know and if you had come in person, what would you have asked? [Year 6 - 7 Transition Questions Form](#). This needs to be completed by Wednesday at 9.00am.

We cannot promise that we will answer every question but we can guarantee that we will try our very best.

On **Thursday evening at 6.00pm** the webinar will 'go live' and if you follow [this link](#) or visit the school's website via your browser, there will be a 'pop up' to access the event. You will simply need to click it to join us.

House Groups

On Thursday afternoon, we will send you an email which will let you know your child's House group for September and for their school career at BPA. We know that this is a real highlight of the transition process and information both you and your child will relish receiving. The letter will also contain a link to a video recorded by your child's House Progress Leader so that they can identify a key face and know more about the origin and ethos of their House. Our Houses were nominated and voted for by the students in school and we take great pride in being in a House team and family. Perhaps your child would like to do some



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research in preparation, before they receive their letter on Thursday? A few hints for you, our Houses are called Attenborough, Frank, Turing and Yousafzai, all pioneers in their chosen field.

Summer School

As part of the transition process and maybe more important now that the day events have been postponed, our Summer School will be running over the course of the week 9 – 13 August. **All** of the Year 6 cohort who have a place at BPA are eligible attend there is no limit on numbers nor a substantive charge. The day will run from 9.00- 3.00pm with a breakfast club offer from 8.30am.

It will contain a range of activities, right across the subject range and team building activities led by teachers and support staff from our school. This will give your child the opportunity to get a feel of the school environment and buildings, meet some new friends and begin their learning journey at BPA. Although we understand some children may be unable to, this will be an exciting and enjoyable week and one that will support their transition to secondary school.

Thank you to those of you who have signed up already. If you are interested in your child attending the summer school, especially in light of the change in transition day arrangements, please reserve a place by completing this form [Burscough Priory Academy - Summer School 2021](#) by Friday 25 June. Once we have received all the requests for places we will contact those families to confirm a place and with further information on our Summer School programme.

Please rest assured that we will endeavour to make the transition process as smooth as possible for your son/daughter despite the ongoing challenges that we all face. On Monday 6 September we have planned a series of activities that will support your child's transition and orientation to the school. In the meantime, if you have any further questions about the arrangements outlined in this letter or any further information that you need, please contact school via e-mail transition@burscoughprioryacademy.org

We are really looking forward to meeting your child, hopefully at the Summer School and then by welcoming them for their formal start in September.

Yours faithfully,

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