

June 2025

Dear Parent and New Year 7 pupil

I would like to welcome you to Fortis Academy and to the start of your journey with us. We are so pleased that you are joining us, and we look forward to working closely with you. We are here to support and guide you through this transition from Year 6 into a Year 7 pupil at Fortis Academy.

Attached are some documents which contain some key information about the school, including term dates and uniform. Please do read these through with your child. We know that by choosing Fortis Academy you are committed to our policies, procedures and high standards of learning, behaviour and uniform. Please help us to reinforce these high standards.

Please feel assured that we are in regular contact with your child's Primary schools. We are finding out lots about them so that we can make their transition to us as easy as possible. We are visiting Primary schools and trying to get to see staff and some pupils.

Here are some important dates for your calendar:

Tuesday 1st July 2025 6.00pm – 7.00pm

Parents are invited to attend an Induction Evening where I would like to take the opportunity to introduce you to key members of staff and the Leadership Team. Uniform suppliers will be available from 4.30 – 6.00pm to enable you to order/purchase our new school uniform. I would ask that your child accompany you to this. I will formally address parents at 6.00pm.

Wednesday 2nd July 2025 9.30am – 2.30pm

All pupils joining the Academy in September 2025 will be spending a day in school as part of their induction programme. Children should report to Great Hall at 9.30am. They should wear the uniform that they would normally wear when attending their Primary school. They may either bring sandwiches for lunch or alternatively a free meal will be provided for them. During the day they will be participating in some exciting team building activities.

Wednesday 3rd September 2025 8.45am – 3.10pm

This will be the second phase of the Induction Programme whereby pupils will begin their learning journey at Fortis Academy. We expect full Fortis Academy uniform on this day. Pupils will spend time in their Edge groups and learn about this exciting new community. We will share experiences with each other and build relationships that will hopefully be long lasting.

When your child joins us in September 2025 there will be a variety of exciting extra-curricular clubs that they can attend, including sports clubs, performing arts clubs and many more. Fortis Academy works closely with different sporting partnerships, including Sporting Elite, The Aston Villa Foundation and City of Birmingham Rockets Basketball Club.

Finally, please feel assured that we will help and support in any way that we can. Please do email us at contactus@fortis.set.org if you have any concerns or questions. We are always happy to help.

Yours faithfully

Mrs S Murcott
Executive Headteacher