

May 2023

Dear Parent/Carer

Year 6 Key Dates and Information for Transition

We would like to extend a warm welcome to you and your child as we look forward to them joining our St John's community in September. As we are now in the final term of this academic year, it is important to share some key pieces of information with you to ensure that the transition to secondary school is as smooth and as positive as possible.

During this term, we will be gathering information from your child's primary school to support the transition process. Myself and members of our Welfare and LSA teams are visiting your child's primary school to meet your child and talk about St John's. We ask that you complete and return the Admission form as soon as possible, if you have not done so already, so that we can plan pastoral arrangements and bespoke support, where necessary.

To support the transition process, we have the following key dates for your calendar:

- Tuesday, 4 July 2023, 6.00 pm Year 6 Welcome Evening for students and their parents/carers. Parents/carers will also be able to purchase uniform on this evening in our Sixth Form area from 4.00pm
- Thursday & Friday, 6 & 7 July 2023 Induction days for Year 6 students
- Tuesday, 5 September 2023 Students begin the new term at St John's.

We will also be offering a Summer School for current Year 6 students who are joining us in September. The Summer School will provide a great opportunity for your child to get to know children from other primary schools, and will help them to become familiar with our school and our staff. This experience will increase their confidence, ready for the September start.

If you would like your child to participate in the Summer School, you will be able to choose 1 week from the following dates:

- Week 1: Monday, 7 August - Friday, 11 August 2023, 9.30 am – 3.00 pm
- Week 2: Tuesday, 29 August - Friday, 1 September 2023, 9.30 am – 3.00pm

A bespoke letter regarding the details of Summer school will be issued in due course.

We hope that you and your child are looking forward to joining us at St John's and, by working in partnership, we will ensure that your child is well-supported through the transition process.

In the meantime, if you have any queries regarding transition, please contact school or use the following email address lwilkinson@stjohns.bhcet.org.uk

We look forward to welcoming you all.

Yours sincerely

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