



June 2021

Year 6 Transition Changes Update

Dear Parents/Carers,

Following the Government's decision to keep the current restrictions in place; guidance from Department of Education; Worcestershire Children's First and a meeting of the local secondary school Headteachers, we have to make unfortunate changes to our transition plans. The guidance clearly states that transition activities should maintain the integrity of the 'bubbles' currently in place in schools. In order for this to happen we are reluctantly making changes to our transition plans. Although we have robust systems in place to ensure that the health and safety of students, staff and parents is maintained we have to make the following changes:

- The 3 day transition will be amended to offer each of our main feeder schools a morning or afternoon to visit the school for a tour and a talk in their primary school bubble.
- Students and their parents from our non-feeder schools are encouraged to book a tour of the school on the 'adapted intake evening' outlined below.
- Our students entering our Communication Centre will also be offered another opportunity to meet with staff and have a school tour.

These options are an offer and not compulsory. I understand that some parents/carers; students and schools will be apprehensive about a change of environment and must decide whether they are happy and confident to take up these opportunities to spend extra time on the Borrington Road site. Moving to secondary school is an exciting but sometimes worrying time. Our transition activities are aimed at reducing potential student anxieties, even when we are still faced with difficult circumstances. However, we must remember that schools have worked tirelessly to keep everyone safe and prevent the spread of the virus which must be maintained.

We will once again be providing all the presentations, communication letters and essential information virtually on our school website which is being updated weekly and can be found at www.kingcharles.co.uk. I would encourage you to check this regularly.

We are no longer able to host our 'New Intake' evening in the way outlined in my previous communication. However, we will be offering 'number restricted', parent/carer tours of the site on Thursday 1st July. These tours are aimed at parents/carers and their son/daughter's who are not familiar with King Charles I School or our Borrington Site. This is optional and the priority again, is to keep everyone safe. These tours will be available from 3.30pm and the last tour is available at 6.00pm. These are limited to one adult and one child and can be booked by calling the Borrington Road reception on 01562 512880.

If you have any further questions you can email year6enquiry@kingcharles1.worcs.sch.uk.

We hope that our continued correspondence will provide valuable support and information.

Yours sincerely,

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