



Wood Green Academy

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Dear Parents/Guardian

Firstly, can I apologise for the delay in this letter. I am sure that you appreciate that during these unprecedented times our normal school life has been disrupted beyond recognition. However, as some sort of routine has now ensued, I would like to take this opportunity of welcoming you and to thank you for choosing our school for the secondary education of your child. I hope your daughter/son enjoys her/his secondary education and is happy and successful at Wood Green Academy.

Although the vast majority of pupils look forward to moving up to their new secondary school it is quite common for most children to feel somewhat apprehensive about the change. I am sure that during these unusual times this anxiety may be heightened. We would like to think that by July things will have resumed in education to something that resembles the normal transition period. **But** we cannot be certain, and this depends totally on the government and the direction of the virus, and then policy that is implemented.

If the government allows and we are free to mix bubbles in school in July, we will endeavour to help ease the anxieties felt by pupils and their parents about transfer to secondary education. As part of this work, we will hold an induction course for all pupils changing school.

On **Monday 5th July 2021** you will be invited to a special meeting to welcome the parents of our new year group into school. At this meeting you will be supplied with a copy of our Wood Green Academy Handbook – a booklet full of information about the day-to-day organisation of the school and our home-school partnership. Full details of our school uniform are also given in that booklet. Parents will also be given a pack of forms which will need completing and returning to school with your child on the Induction days.

Your child will then be invited to join us on **Thursday 8th and Friday 9th July 2021**. She/ He will meet her/his new classmates, work with their Form Tutor and meet their Year Leader Mr Heeley. They will have a range of lessons, experience our lunchtime arrangements and become familiar with the geography of the school.

A programme giving more details on both events will be sent to you once we know more from the government and the DfE.

We are also hoping to run a Summer school this year in the week beginning 26th July and will let you know further details about this as soon as we have finalised staffing.

I look forward to meeting you and your child in the near future and ask that in the meantime, keep safe.

Yours sincerely

Mrs. J C Bailey
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