



Tuesday 27th April 2021

Dear year 6 parents,

I am writing to share with you the tips and information from the secondary school transition project, about which I have written to you before

Week 2 - week beginning 19/4/21 (only received today via email)

Tip for School

Secondary transition will be different for this year's cohort – induction days are unlikely and some of the usual end of term activities may not happen. Schools will therefore need to be mindful of this and as part of this Transition Programme, we will discuss the possibility of organising events further into Terms 5 and 6, when we are more aware of the advice from Central Government.

This week's activity – I can do this (New activity)

Pupils to work independently or in a group to discuss any worries/concerns that they may have about moving to secondary.

They could perhaps look at the previously completed activity (Going to Secondary School) to help give them ideas.

Tip for School

- Ask who else is going to the same school and encourage friendships – these may not be the children your child usually socialises with but it is always good to have a familiar face in the first few weeks. Remind your child that they will make new friends when they start their new school

- If you haven't already done so, think about how you can help your child to be more independent: at home, do they put clothes away/ complete simple jobs like making their own bed or sandwiches/ make hot drinks etc? Do they get their own bag ready for school? If they have homework, do they need reminding to complete, or is there Can they walk to school now? Or dropped off a little further away to walk the last part by themselves? If they have started back to any clubs outside school, do they get themselves ready/organised?

Week 3 - Week beginning 26/4/21

Information for Parents/Carers

A reminder about the meeting tomorrow - **Wednesday 28th 7-8pm via Zoom** . This will be an opportunity for Parents/carers to hear about our Transition Programme and some ideas on how you can support your son/daughter to hopefully make the transition as smooth as possible.

If you have not received this information, please complete the following form to inform us of your attendance

<https://forms.office.com/r/bS9vjsbWU4>

You can join the zoom meeting via this link -

Topic: Parent Transition Meeting Time: Apr 28, 2021 07:00 PM London Join Zoom Meeting

<https://zoom.us/j/96395495756?pwd=alFISnViZDh1TCt4SFhmMjVoRjRrUT09>

Meeting ID: 963 9549 5756

Passcode: 687623

In school, your son/daughter will be starting to think about their journey to and from school. If they are going to be traveling by Public Transport, download the Arriva app (or relevant equivalent) and encourage him/her to be more familiar with it. If they are going to be walking, start practising now. Can they use Google earth to plot their journey? Can they read a train timetable? Do they know what to do if they miss their bus/train? What happens if they miss their stop? What will happen if they can't get on the bus because it is full? Start to discuss these scenarios giving reassurance and encouragement throughout.

If you have any queries or questions please contact your child's class teacher. Thank you

Kind regards,

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