

Dear Parents and Carers

I hope that you and your families are keeping well.

Some of your children will now be back at school, all be it in a slightly different way to that which we are used to, however, I trust that they are acclimatising to the changes and enjoying their final few weeks of primary school.

As many of you will know, due to already having older children at school, things at Pedmore High School have continued to be busy throughout Lockdown. Invictus staff have made, and distributed, thousands of visors to our NHS and critical workers and over one hundred care packages have been donated by our parents and children, again for key workers.

Transition Leads from the Invictus schools continue to meet regularly, in between planning and delivering a huge amount of online lessons (you may have seen on social media how many of our students have joined in with these – they have been a huge success!) looking at activities for your children in preparation for high school. These mainly focus on organizational skills, for example, designing an early morning schedule – which will hopefully help everyone in your household, not just the children! You will find our Transition Booklet in this pack. Your child can go through it by themselves, or with your support, between now and September.

On the 15 June our Transition Webpages will go live. There will be a 3d Virtual Tour of our school, so that your child can familiarise themselves with how the different classrooms, labs and key communal areas look. There are also videos of key staff for you and your child to watch, seeing who has which role, and who to go to for support. Trust wide Subject Directors have also worked with our Heads of Departments to give an outline of their subject area – and have added a few quizzes and activities should your child wish to complete them. You can reach the pages from either the school website, or the Trust one, look for the Transition menu item, it will be next to the main website logo. Please note that many of the activities can be completed on paper, there is no expectation for whole booklets to be printed at home.

Included with this letter are the following documents -

- Letter to parents and carers
- Letter to Year 6 children
- Transition Booklet
- Uniform information

If you haven't done so already could we ask that you please return **The Student Personal Information Booklet** (sent to you on 14/04/20) as it contains important information that we need at the start of term. If you do require us to send another copy please email <u>parents@pedmorehighschool.uk</u>

I hope that your child will find the website pages informative, and useful, in their move onto high school.

Please be assured all of us at Pedmore High School would so much rather have had actual face to face visits, but unfortunately that is just not possible at the moment.



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If you have any questions or need further support please do not hesitate to contact any of the transition team listed below

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We will continue to keep in contact between now and September.

Stay safe and well, best wishes

Mr G Lloyd Headteacher



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