



24th June 2021

Dear Parents, Carers and Students,

Re: Transition Days and Alternative Activities

Following the recent Government announcement that restrictions are not being eased for an additional four weeks, Buckinghamshire Council has made the decision that Transition Days cannot go ahead in person. This means that, sadly, we will not be able to welcome your son/daughter to Waddesdon School on 6th and 7th July as we had hoped.

In order to give you a flavour of our school, there are a number of videos on the Transition page of our school website. From 2nd July, these will also include introductions from our tutor team and other updated information.

<https://www.waddesdonschool.com/year-6-transition/>

Please do spend time watching these and enjoying the exciting prospect of being a student at Waddesdon. We are looking forward to welcoming the class of 2021 to our happy and flourishing community.

We will also send to your Primary School a welcome pack which will include a form photo sheet, a school information leaflet, a Transition Challenge and starter pack (if ordered). If you have received any medical forms from our school, please return these as soon as possible.

It may be that primary schools will plan for students to start working on the challenge during what would have been the transition days. Alternatively, they should complete this over the summer holidays and bring it along in September.

Finally, I am delighted to inform you that we are running a Summer School in the week of 16th August which will be **free** to all new Year 7s. The school will feature a range of activities, including literacy and numeracy challenges, sports and drama. We are able to run this week using Government funding and will be sending out a sign-up form shortly.

I very much look forward to welcoming you all in person to Waddesdon. All things being equal, there will be a welcome and information evening on Thursday, 9th September.

With all good wishes,

Matthew Abbott
Headteacher

cc HA, ACu, JSt, FCh, KT