



Fulford School

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Dear Parents and Carers.

I hope this letter finds you and your family well. I am writing to you to keep you updated with planned events linked to Year 6 into Year 7 Transition.

Year 6 Taster Day and Information Evening (3rd July)

We will be holding a 'Year 7 Taster Day' on 3rd July. This event is being planned to allow students joining us in Year 7 next year to experience life at Fulford School. The day will provide an opportunity for students to spend the full day at Fulford school; a day which will include opportunities to experience lessons, travel on any necessary school transport and meet key staff (including their form tutor).

In the evening of the transition day we are inviting families back to school. This event will provide an important opportunity to share information with families, have a look around school and to meet key staff.

Year 7 Tutor Groups

We have completed all our visits to primary schools, so it is great to feel like we are getting to know our new students better. We have spoken with all of our feeder primary schools about each child on an individual basis. Together with the information that we've received from yourselves, a rich tapestry of talents, personalities and skills is becoming most evident!

We are working hard to create a well-balanced set of mixed Year 7 tutor groups. Students at Fulford School see their form tutor every day; this makes the form tutor an integral part of school life. You will receive the details of which tutor group your child is in and who their form tutor next week.

Transition area of Fulford Website

There is lots of useful information on this area of our website, including welcome videos from key members of staff and virtual tours around school with our students leaders. These materials have been produced to build confidence about the prospect of joining Fulford. Please have a look together: <https://fulford.york.sch.uk/y6-transition-2024/>

As part of preparation for secondary school life we're asking students to complete some weekly tasks which are based on ideas that originate from a book written by Matthew Syed called 'You Are Awesome.' This is a fantastic book, the ideas within which align with the personal characteristics we are constantly looking to develop within our students. We hope that the process of completing these optional tasks will help prepare your son / daughter for some of the challenges they may face as part of their transition to secondary school.

These tasks can be found in the 2nd tab down on the transition area of website. Please encourage your son or daughter to complete these tasks where possible. We'd love to receive the completed tasks; these can be returned via email to our year6transition@fulford.york.sch.uk email address.

Pastoral Support

At Fulford School we have a specialist team of pastoral support staff who work with students across all years, to ensure that students flourish during their time with us. If you feel that your son or daughter will benefit from some additional support, or that there is information about your child you'd like to share with us, please do not hesitate to contact us. We want to make sure that the transition to secondary school is as smooth as it can possibly be. We recognise that for some students this may mean some additional support around the process.

Please continue to contact us on year6transition@fulford.york.sch.uk if you have any questions or require any further information. In like manner, we will keep in touch to ensure that you are kept updated with the transition process.

Fundraising activity

As part of the transition day students will experience lessons in English, Maths, Science and PE. During the PE session we will be holding a non-competitive inter-form 'Fun run' (or walk!). This will provide opportunity for children to talk with one another as they circuit our school field, collecting a token for their form each time they pass a station.

All year groups at Fulford are participating in this activity with the goal of having fun whilst raising money to refurbish our library and help us go plastic free (through installing outdoor drinks stations). We would love our new cohort to help with this enterprise – after all, they are the year group who will benefit from this most! Please find attached a sponsor form.

I will be in touch again next week with further information in relation to tutor groups and transition day/ evening. In the meantime, I hope your children continue to enjoy their final weeks in primary school!

Yours faithfully,



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