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30th April 2021

Dear Student / Parent / Carer

I am writing to provide you with a further update on our transition arrangements ahead of your child joining us at Netherhall School this September. Firstly, I would like to let you know how fantastic it was to meet your son / daughter virtually in the online Microsoft Teams meetings that we have held over the last 2 weeks. It was brilliant to be able to meet all of our new students and to give them a presentation on life at Netherhall School, while it was also a great pleasure to be able to answer any questions they had ahead of the start of the autumn term. The meetings left me looking forward immensely to our new year 7 students joining us in September and I very much hope the students felt the same!

We are continuing to work electronically with our partner primary schools to gather as much background information as possible to assist your son or daughter in their transition to Netherhall School. The information provided will help to ensure your child is placed in the correct teaching classes, form tutor group and that we have accommodated their friends. Like you, our aim is for all students to have a positive, productive and enjoyable experience of joining Netherhall School.

I am enclosing for you today our "Year 7 Induction – September 2021" information packs; these include all the required information on the school day, lunchtime and uniform arrangements amongst other key information that you require. With regards to arrangements for you to purchase your child's new school uniform ahead of the autumn term; our school uniform provider, Mrs Lindsay Routledge, has been in touch to inform me that her uniform shop and website are up and running and that new school uniform can now be ordered via www.westlakesembroidery.co.uk with all orders being delivered to your doorstep. Mrs Routledge has asked me to let you know that she would like all parents of our new Year 7 students to contact her to make an appointment to visit the West Lakes Embroidery shop at 69 Senhouse Street, Maryport, so you are able to make sure that your son / daughter is able to purchase the correct uniform sizes for all the required uniform detailed in our "Year 7 Induction" pack; contact details are also provided in the information packs.

As I mentioned in my previous letters to you, it is our full intention to hold a normal and in-person visit to your child's primary school later this year. It is also our full intention to hold an in-person transition day to Netherhall School for your child on Wednesday, 7th July, while we will also host a full open evening for parents on the same evening of your son or daughter's transition day, so that you are able to meet your child's future form teacher and have a full tour of the school. I will provide you with a full outline of our plans for the transition day and evening on the 7th July in the coming weeks, while I will also send a request for you to complete any additional personal information that we require ahead of the start of your son / daughter's transition to us in September.

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I would like to close by passing on my very best wishes to you and your families ahead of the bank holiday weekend. We are very much looking forward to meeting you all in person and to welcoming your son or daughter to Netherhall School in July, but in the meantime, if you have any queries, then please do not hesitate to get in contact with me by email at m.bailey@netherhall.cumbria.sch.uk while any parents who have any specific queries concerning their child's special educational needs and the support that will be offered in this respect prior to our beginning the extended transition programme for SEN students, then you are more than welcome to contact our SENCO, Mrs Beverly Johnstone at b.johnstone@netherhall.cumbria.sch.uk We will both be delighted to offer any support we can at this stage to support your child's smooth transition to Netherhall School this year.

Yours faithfully

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