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22nd June 2021

Dear Student / Parent / Carer

I am writing to you today to give you a further update on our transition plans now that we have had to cancel our intended in-person open day for year 6 students on Wednesday, 7th July, along with our open evening for parents on that day.

I have now arranged to hold further online meetings with all of our year 6 students at their current primary schools so that they are able to ask any further questions they may have, starting this week. We are also going to produce a virtual transition evening video which we will release on Wednesday, 7th July, so that you are informed of all the key information that you would normally receive on that evening in support of the transition information that you have already received over the last couple of months. During the presentation you will be introduced to a number of key staff who will support your son or daughter as they begin life at Netherhall School, including their Head of Year, Mr Wassell, Assistant Head of Year, Mrs Poddington, and their form tutor following the release of the form tutor group information on the same day. As ever, if you have any further questions to ask, then please do feel free to contact me at any point.

To further support with year 6 students' transition and to help in building our school community, there will be an optional year 6 summer school during the 4th and 5th weeks of this year's summer holidays (the weeks beginning Monday, 16th August and Monday, 23rd August). The timetable for our summer school activities can be found by accessing the link below; students' can attend sessions throughout the 2-week summer school, or on days and times of their choosing. **If you could please sign your son or daughter up to the individual sessions they would like to attend by the close of Friday, 25th June**, that would be much appreciated. The summer school sessions will take place from 10am to 12 noon for the morning sessions and from 12.30-2.30pm for the afternoon sessions. Students who intend to participate for the full day should bring a packed lunch and drinks, but of course, students are free to attend individual sessions at any point throughout the programme to suit their individual interests. This will be a great way to meet several members of our staff and to make new friends ahead of the start of the autumn term on Thursday, 2nd September. Once students have signed up to the sessions they would like to take part in, I will confirm the sessions and write to you with further details on the programme prior to the summer break.

[Year 6 Transition Summer School Timetable.](#)

I would like to close by reminding you all that as a result of the delayed unlocking of Covid-19 restrictions, it is likely that we will now hold our induction day for new year 7 students on the first day of the autumn term, on Thursday 2nd September, when there will only be new year 7 and year 12 students in school. We also intend to hold our open evening for new year 7 parents on that evening.

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I will be in touch again very shortly with our final transition arrangements, with details of your son or daughter's tutor group, lunchtime payment and information for the start of the new academic year. 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 but for now, my very best wishes to you all.

Yours faithfully

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