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1st April 2021

Dear Student / Parent / Carer

I am writing to provide you with an update on our transition arrangements prior to the Easter break and ahead of your child joining us at Netherhall School this September. Firstly, thanks again for choosing Netherhall School for your child's secondary school education; we are very much looking forward to your son or daughter joining us in what are again record numbers this year, with our September 2021 intake further building on our excellent recruitment to year 7 this year and being the largest intake to the school in almost 20 years!

I have been in touch with the Local Authority again this week and they will be providing all schools with a detailed outline of the timeline of transition activities they would like us to put in place ahead of your son or daughter joining us in September, shortly after Easter.

The process of liaising with all of our partner primary schools to gather as much background information as possible to assist your son or daughter in their transition to Netherhall School in September has already begun. The information provided to me by your child's primary school will help to ensure your child is placed in the correct teaching classes, form tutor group and that we have accommodated their friends; this also includes any other factors that we need to take into consideration. Like you, our aim is for all students to have a positive, productive and enjoyable experience of joining Netherhall School.

As I mentioned in my first letter 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 organise an in-person transition day to Netherhall School for your child in July, and for there to be the opportunity to host a full open evening for parents on the 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. Our plans currently are, of course, subject to the country's progress against the pandemic, but we are extremely hopeful that we will be able to provide this excellent opportunity for you all this year.

The most important aspect of our transition work at the current time is to reassure and support both students and parents with the transition to Netherhall School, and the first stage of this will be to virtually meet all students in year 6 who will be joining us in September. We have therefore put plans in place to meet all year 6 students in the first week back after the Easter holidays and the introductory virtual meetings will take place as requested by each primary school as follows:

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Monday 19th April:

Maryport Junior School 11-11.40 am
Holme St Cuthbert School 11.40-12.20pm
Broughton Moor Primary School 1.30-2.10pm
Flimby Primary School 2.10-2.50pm

Tuesday 20th April:

St Cuthbert's Catholic Primary School 12.30-1.10pm

Wednesday 21st April:

Blennerhasset Primary School 10-10.40am
Dearham Primary School 1.30-2.10pm

Thursday 22nd April:

Our Lady and St Patrick's Primary School 9.10-9.50am
Ewanrigg Junior School 10-10.50am
Oughterside Primary School 1.30-2.10pm

Friday 23rd April:

Allonby Primary School 9.30-10.10am

I am really looking forward to meeting with your son and daughter to give them a flavour of life at Netherhall School and to let them know about the fantastic opportunities that await them from September. Following the Easter break and our initial meeting with year 6 students, I will also send out Information packs to students and parents to assist in the smooth transition to Netherhall School; these will include all of the required information on the school day, lunch time and uniform arrangements amongst other key information.

I would like to close by passing on my very best wishes to you and your families for a very well-deserved Easter break. We are all looking forward to meeting you all in person and to welcoming your son or daughter to Netherhall School later this year, 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 initial 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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'Staff and pupils say, without question, the Headteacher has been an inspiration, giving them the belief that all can achieve. Throughout his tenure, the Headteacher has demonstrated passion, integrity and highly skilled leadership. The school has been transformed in a remarkably short period of time.'

Ofsted, 2018

'Pupils are enthusiastic about learning and teachers are enthusiastic about teaching. Pupils love coming to school.'

Ofsted, 2018

'Pupils have considerable respect for their teachers because they believe their teachers are doing a great job.'

Ofsted, 2018

'Relationships throughout the school are excellent. There is mutual respect between adults and pupils.'

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'Pupils are proud of their school.'

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