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Dear Parents/Carers and Students,

Hello once again. If you had the opportunity to be part of our Zoom meetings last week, we hope you found the experience useful. For us, it was great to finally start communicating with parents face to face rather than by letters and video. If you were unable to attend your scheduled meeting please do not worry, a recorded version of the main section of the meetings is now available on our transition page of the Rushcliffe School website, where you will also find copies of any information that has been sent during the transition process. We are optimistic that even though students have not yet visited Rushcliffe School, that they should have a good concept of the school site, their tutor, the subjects they will be studying and the opportunities they have to look forward to during their time at Rushcliffe School.

The aim of this letter before the summer break is to give you some final pieces of important information relating to the Induction Day on the 3rd September that was mentioned in the Zoom meetings last week. Below you will also find information related to the biometrics and online payment systems and answers to parent/carers frequently asked questions that have come through to the transition email account over the last few weeks. Finally, a link to a summer message video from our Principal Mr Painton and Student Presidents.

Induction Day Reminders:

- Students are welcome from 8.15am but are not required to be on the school site until 8.40am for an 8.45am start for tutor time.
- We are advising parents/carers to drop students outside of the school site and allow them to walk down the pedestrian path (please be mindful of other vehicles and neighbours of the school).
- Students will need to make their way to the main student entrance, where they will be guided around to the netball courts by the senior leadership team. Students will not be accessing the netball courts via the car park.
- Students will need to know their tutor group letter (for example 7C) to help staff direct them to the correct tutor line.
- Money will need to be pre-loaded onto student accounts prior to Thursday 3rd September
- Students will need to bring their Transition Activity booklet with them.
- Students do not need to bring their PE kit for their first day. PE kit will not be required in school until Thursday 10th September
- The school day will finish at 3.15pm.

Induction day timetable:

Attached to this letter is a programme for each tutor group for their Induction Day on the 3rd September. You will also find the Year 7 timetable for Friday 4th and Monday the 7th September. This is subject to a possible change due to the current circumstances but it gives a good indication of what to expect. We advise that you go through the timetable with your son/daughter to ensure they have an understanding of what they will be doing to relieve any potential anxiety. Once again, their form tutor will be directing them through their activities and there will be staff around the school to assist Year 7 in the navigation of the school site.

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Online cashless System and Biometrics

As mentioned in the Zoom meetings, Rushcliffe School will not be handling any cash in September therefore, parents/carers will need to load money onto student accounts prior to the 3rd September. Students will pay for food and drinks by telling the catering team their name and the sum of their food will be deducted from their account. Student finger print biometrics will be completed in a safe manner during the induction day for use in the future for when it is safe to do so. Information about the online cashless system and the finger print biometrics system can be found below.

Frequently asked questions

Over the course of the last two weeks a number of frequently asked questions have come in to us. We have answered these questions so hopefully you now have a clear answer to these. The frequently asked questions and answers can be found on the school website and is attached.

Other information:

During the first two weeks of the summer holiday, there will be a significant IT migration taking place at the school. This means that there will be no email contact or school system operating until 10th August at the earliest. The transition email address (transition@rushcliffe.notts.sch.uk) will also become inactive as of 12:30pm on Friday 24th July and will not be monitored until Transition begins again for the 2021 Cohort. Any communication will need to be sent to admin.office@rushcliffe.notts.sch.uk as with all other year groups and enquiries.

Summer message:

We are confident that over the course of the last six weeks you have found all the information that you have received progressive and extremely helpful. Please do not worry over the summer holidays, we have everything in place to look after your son/daughter in September. Remember if you are unsure about anything, please refer back to the information you have received which is all available on the transition section of the Rushcliffe School website. Over the last week our Principal Mr Painton and the recently appointed Student Presidents have put a summer message video together for Year 6. The video can be viewed by clicking the link below:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UdSpPSprmyw>

Or by visiting our transition page on the Rushcliffe School website, where you will also find copies of any information that has been sent so far.

Stay safe, have a great summer and see you in September!

Yours faithful



Mr Crawley (Assistant Principal) and Mr Staiano (Head of Year)

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