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Dear Parent / Carer

Primary/Secondary Transition

Bishopbriggs Academy's P7 transition group continue to plan a programme to ensure that the transition from primary to secondary is as smooth as possible for pupils, parents and staff alike. We are working to closely with the respective primaries to provide a positive experience for all involved. Throughout this session, primary and secondary colleagues will continue to meet regularly (currently through a digital platform) to discuss pupil progress, and the individual needs of those pupils coming to Bishopbriggs Academy in the new session.

My letter in December detailed several activities planned for the coming weeks and months. Despite lockdown and current restrictions, all the events previously detailed will go ahead (albeit some with minor adjustments). Staff have been working on creating a new platform to deliver transition events, and these events will be every bit as exciting and engaging as they have been in previous years. For the time being, these lessons will be digital, however if and when we can safely meet in person we will do so.

To help P7 pupils integrate and become familiar with life in secondary school we have a variety of activities planned for next term, please see attached the programme of activities along with dates which have been agreed with all cluster primary schools.

The specific time slots for these events will be co-ordinated and confirmed by each individual primary school.

P7 PARENTS' INFORMATION EVENING

The information evening for P7 parents and pupils will take place on Thursday 13th May at 6.30pm. This meeting will be held remotely via Teams, where myself, Mr Mouldsdales and key support staff will welcome you to the school, provide transition information and answer any questions that you may have.

S1 INDUCTION DAYS AND TEAM BUILDING DAYS

As things stand, the S1 induction days are planned to take place on **Thursday 3 June and Friday 4 June**. All P7 pupils will spend two days following their timetable at the Academy, visiting different subjects, meeting their new classmates and some of their new teachers. We hope that this will go ahead in the traditional format and we are planning for this. Contingency arrangements will be put in place if these days cannot take place.

Your child will also have an opportunity to get to know their new classmates at a team building event to be held in Bishopbriggs Academy in May (date TBC, your primary school will tell you which day your child will attend).

There will be more information sent to primary schools regarding the Team Building and Induction Days nearer the time.

I am looking forward to working closely with you and your child over the next year.

Yours sincerely,

Emma Jane Forsyth

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