

8th June 2021

RE: Y6 Transition July 2021

Dear parent/carer

We are looking forward to welcoming your child on **Monday 5th July 2021** as they begin their journey with us at Thrybergh Academy.

All Year 7 students will be inducted by participating in a 2 week period of activities until we finish for the summer break on Friday 16th July. During this fortnight there will be activities including; getting to know your new classmates, finding their way around school and learning about what school life is like at Thrybergh. Our pastoral, SEND, safeguarding and attendance teams have been busy meeting with your primary school's teachers to ensure we have accurate information on your child before they arrive here.

Students are able to wear their primary school uniform in the 2 weeks of transition before needing full uniform in September. Below is a detailed outline of the activities we propose to put in place from now until the students start with us. As you will be aware, some of the initiatives listed below have already taken place.

Upcoming activities/information before transition:

- 1. Curriculum taster sessions** – all primary schools will be sent sample work from various departments in school for students to try. This will be sent online to each primary school and posted online on our transition website <https://www.thrybergh.com/parents/transition/>
- 2. Parental/student information videos** – ensuring parents are kept up to speed on current events happening at school and expectations of Thrybergh Academy.
- 3. Moving Up To Thrybergh booklet** - all key information about our values, vision and ethos alongside practical information about us as a school.
- 4. Google Assemblies** – Mr Lewis (Head of Year) will record an assembly to introduce himself and school. These assemblies will be posted online and e-mailed to primary schools. Assembly topics will focus heavily on promoting the Thrybergh Pledge.

Supporting students ages 11 - 16

5. Form Grouping – Form Tutor groups will be allocated to students on their first day of school. We have spoken with primary schools to ensure we have a suitable mix of schools and friendship groups in school. If your child is from a primary school where they are the only child attending then we will ensure they are with a ‘buddy’ throughout transition.

5. Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) and Q&A Sessions – Head of Year and transition coordinator will create an online resource for FAQ at Thrybergh Academy for new parents. This will focus on reassuring parents about the challenges ahead for students who make the move from primary to secondary. This will then lead onto a Q&A session with parents.

6. Thematic online events – will take place to challenge students. This will allow students to attempt their first Thrybergh Pledge. For more information on Thrybergh Pledges - please see the Moving Up To Thrybergh booklet.

7. Virtual Tour – A virtual tour of the school is on our website. If you feel your child needs an early visit to Thrybergh to help them navigate the building then please let your child’s primary school know so that we can organise this.

If you would like to contact school with any questions then here are some useful contact details;

Mrs Croft/Miss Parkes (Y6-7 Transition Coordinators)- j.croft@thrybergh.com , r.parkes@thrybergh.com

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Mr Trotter (SENCO) -

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Mrs Brookes (Deputy Safeguarding Lead) -

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Mr Rushton (Assistant Headteacher)

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My team and I look forward to welcoming all our new intake of students very soon.

Yours sincerely



Mr David Burnham

Headteacher