

June 2021

Dear Parent/Carer,

Please find below some important information regarding the Year 6 Transition Day and Evening next Wednesday 30 June, uniform, stationery, social media and the summer school programme.

### Year 6 Transition Day and Evening - Wednesday 30 June

Unfortunately, our face-to-face Transition Day and Evening, for Year 6 students, going into Year 7, has been cancelled due to the updated Government guidelines on Covid-19 restrictions. This decision has not been taken lightly but, in the context of Covid-19 cases, caused by the Delta variant continuing to increase, we feel this is the safest option. Whilst we are extremely disappointed that we will not be able to welcome our new intake to The Bourne Academy this summer, we hope you fully understand the reasons behind this decision.

Our current Year 7 group of students are flourishing and making a significant contribution to school life. They are happy, healthy and successful. We know that your child will be in a similar position this time next year. In order to help with the transition process, we will now move to a virtual programme of events.

Our school website contains a wealth of information on transition and is updated regularly. Please use the link below to access this information.

The Bourne Academy - Transition - Confirmed Place at TBA

By following this link, you will find a number of activities available on and after 30 June, that will assist your child with the transition process. Some of these activities include taster lessons, our Smart Moves booklet, a map of The Bourne Academy, our transition video, an example timetable and our highly successful Steps to ASPIRE competency tasks.

Similarly, we have taken the decision not to go ahead with the face-to-face Transition Evening event for parents on 30 June. Instead, staff will present via a live link on Microsoft Teams starting at 18.00, and will continue for approx. 45 minutes. Our Senior Leadership Team and Heads of Houses/SENDCo will introduce themselves and let you know what their roles are within the Academy.

Teams Live Event Link: https://bit.ly/3iX54oV

#### **Student Information Booklets**

We kindly remind parents/carers to return, urgently, any completed Student Information Booklets back to the Academy. It is essential that we have your child's health details, your contact details and emergency contacts on our system. Failure to submit your forms will mean that you may miss out on any vital information and letters over the summer including plans for September in line with Covid-19 government guidance for schools.

# Uniform

# **Girls Uniform:**

Dark charcoal logo'd regulation Academy jacket\* - must be worn at all times in the Academy
Principal: Mr M Avoth

- Pink regulation Academy blouse\* worn with a regulation House Pin Badge or white shirt (tucked in) with a regulation House tie\*
- Black and pink knee length Academy skirt\* or black school trousers (not tight/stretchy material)
- Black socks or tights and plain black leather or leather look <u>flat</u> shoes (no/low heels, no trainers and no coloured decoration/logos)
- PE Kit Black & pink regulation Academy sports polo shirt \*, black shorts or track suit bottoms

## **Boys Uniform:**

- Dark charcoal logo'd regulation Academy jacket \*- must be worn at all times in the Academy
- White shirt (tucked in) with a regulation House tie\*
- Black trousers
- Black socks and plain black leather or leather look shoes (No trainers and no coloured decoration/logos)
- PE Kit Black & pink regulation Academy sports polo shirt \*, black shorts or track-suit bottoms.

# Optional extras for boys and girls:

- Black Academy jumper with pink piping \*
- Black or pink hooded Academy sweat-top (for PE)\*
- \* Denotes official Academy uniform which must be purchased from CJI Clothing Ltd

### In Addition:

- Only natural make up and natural hair colour is permitted at the Academy. No fake eye lashes.
- Coloured nail varnish and acrylic nails are NOT permitted
- Jewellery is to be kept to a minimum, with only one stud earring in each ear and a watch permitted
- Visible facial piercings and stretcher earrings are not allowed, and students will be asked to remove them
- Trainers, hoodies and other outside garments are not to be worn in the Academy

### **Goody Bags**

Every student will be in receipt of a Bourne Academy goody bag. Our intention was to hand these directly to students on our Transition Day however, we have now had to reconsider this. In light of this, the goody bags will be delivered to your child's primary school during week commencing 5<sup>th</sup> July.

#### **Free School Meals**

If your child is eligible for Free School Meals, a uniform voucher will be enclosed in your child's goody bag. If you haven't received a voucher within your child's goody bag, but think you should receive Free School Meals, then please contact us to let us know.

The Academy's uniform supplier is CJI Clothing, who have recently moved to; 545-547 Wimborne Road, Winton, Bournemouth, Dorset, BH9 2AP Tel: 01202 513387

### Stationery

With regards to equipment, all year groups must have, as a minimum, the following equipment:

Registered office: Hadow Road, Bournemouth, Dorset BH10 5HS

- Black pen
- Green pen
- Pencil
- Rubber
- Sharpener
- 15cm ruler
- Pencil case

It is recommended that students in Year 7 have a calculator of some sort. Use of calculators on mobiles phones is not permitted. For an extensive list of what is and is not acceptable, please see our website. It is even more important this year that students are ready to learn upon arrival at the Academy, that uniform is correct and that your child has in their possession the equipment listed above. We will NOT be able to lend equipment or uniform to students.

# **Social Media**

We invite parents/carers to follow us on our social media pages. We will use social media to keep parents/carers informed of upcoming events and news. These can be found on the following links: Facebook Year 7 2021: <a href="https://www.facebook.com/The-Bourne-Academy-ParentsCarers-Year-7-">https://www.facebook.com/The-Bourne-Academy-ParentsCarers-Year-7-</a>

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Facebook: <a href="https://www.facebook.com/TheBourneAcademy/">https://www.facebook.com/TheBourneAcademy/</a> Instagram: <a href="https://www.instagram.com/thebourneacademy/">https://www.instagram.com/thebourneacademy/</a>

Twitter: <a href="https://twitter.com/bourneacademy">https://twitter.com/bourneacademy</a>

## **Steps to ASPIRE Task 6: Emotionally Literate**

Our concluding task for the incredibly popular Steps to ASPIRE programme will be included in your child's goody bag. Please store the completed work carefully over the summer and ask your child to hand their completed work into their tutor on their first day into the Academy, in September.

### **Teachus Summer School Programme**

We are very excited to be working with Teachus, to provide your child with a free Summer School Programme from 16-20 August. We are delighted to see that so many students have already signed up for this incredible opportunity, which no doubt will support a smooth transition into The Bourne Academy.

I do hope that you will all join the Parent/Carer Zoom Meeting next Wednesday 30 June and I look forward to speaking to you then.

Thank you for your support and we are delighted that you have chosen The Bourne Academy for the next phase of your child's educational journey.

Yours faithfully,

Mr M Avoth Principal