

28th April 2020

Dear Parent/Carer,

Thank you for choosing Walthamstow Academy for your Year 6 child. We are excited and pleased to be welcoming them for the 2020/21 academic year. Choosing a secondary school for your child is a significant decision; you have given us the responsibility of completing your child's school education and that is something we take very seriously. We know that your child will be disappointed to be missing much of the final term of primary school and so we are writing now to reassure you and them that there is still much to be excited about as they look to September!

Our transition programme for welcoming Year 6 students has run successfully for many years but, as we all know, this is a year like no other. We would normally welcome your child to the Academy for two days of activities in late June/ early July. The purpose of these days is to get to know our new Year 7, complete some exciting activities with them and to do some testing to make sure we meet their needs in September. It is now very unlikely that these days will be able to go ahead as planned, so we are hard at work replacing them with alternatives that will excite your child and keep workload to an absolute minimum for you.

In the next few weeks you will receive more information on our replacement 2020 transition programme but I can assure you that it will include:

- A full 'welcome pack' that will answer any of your questions and tell you exactly how to prepare for September.
- A phone conversation with a member of staff at the Academy where any questions or concerns you or your child have can be fully addressed.
- A set of fun and engaging activities to be completed over the summer that will help your child prepare for the next stage in their school career.

If you have any questions in the meantime, particularly if you feel there is something urgent that is causing you or your child to worry, then please don't hesitate to get in touch. The best way to do this is via email at admissions@walthamstow-academy.org.

We will be in touch again shortly, but in the meantime I wish you and your family good health at this time.

Yours sincerely,

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