

Dear Students, Parents and Carers,

23 June 2021

Year 6-7 Transition Update for Team Year 7 Members September 2021

I hope that you are all safe and well. I am writing to you to provide an update in relation to your child's transition to Workington Academy.

We are very excited that you are going to be joining Team Year 7 at Workington Academy in September 2021 and that you are all soon going to become part of our Workington Academy family.

Unfortunately, as you will be aware from the Government's latest announcement to delay the relaxation of further Covid-19 restrictions and also due to updated guidance received from Public Health Cumbria in relation to the current rise of Covid-19 cases in the county, we along with all of Cumbria's other secondary schools are unable to continue with any face to face transition throughout the remainder of the Summer term.

Regrettably, this cancellation of events will also include our Tutor Meeting Day, which was scheduled to take place on 5 July 2021.

Tutor Group information will now be shared with you via letter during the w/c 5 July 2021.

At Workington Academy, we place great value on the transition arrangements for our students from their primary schools and we have made great efforts to make a face to face process work. However, we will always prioritise the safety of our school community and we hope that you can understand this decision.

Parents and students can be assured that we will continue to work with you to provide all of the guidance and support that you need in the coming days and weeks and that we are continuing to work in close conjunction with all of our feeder primary schools to ensure that you make a successful transition into our academy.

Please do continue to visit our dedicated **Year 6-7 Transition Website**, which contains a wide variety of information and interactive resources to support your transition to Workington Academy. This includes a Virtual 360' tour around our state-of-the-art academy building and a range of department familiarisation videos, in which you can watch and listen to our staff and find out more about what you will be studying and opportunities on offer to you across the curriculum in Year 7.

We will also continue to provide regular updates and key information on our Workington Academy social media pages;

- **Workington Academy Website;** www.workingtonacademy.org
- **Workington Academy Transition Website;** <https://vle.workingtonacademy.org/welcome-to-team-year-7>
- **Facebook;** <https://www.facebook.com/WorkingtonAcademy/>
- **Twitter and Instagram;** @workingtonacad

Thank you to everyone who has completed their Online Admission Form, Student Profile Questionnaire, who have ordered Year 7 stationery packs and who have sent their introductory photo and video to us.

If you have not already done so, please can you return these to us asap.

Our **Online Admission Form** can be accessed by the link on the front of our Workington Academy website and Transition website – www.workingtonacademy.org or alternatively by scanning the QR code below;



Student introductory photos and short video clips should be sent to teamyear7@workingtonacademy.org. Please be assured that these files are being stored securely and will be used to help key staff to become familiar with our new students as well as helping us to create our 'Team Year 7 2021-22' welcome video, that we would like all of our new Year 7 team members to be a part of.

We are optimistic that our Year 6-7 Summer School will be able to go ahead as planned between 19 – 30 July 2021, to further support your transition to Workington Academy. Although this is subject to change, as we continue to follow Government and Public Health guidelines, further information will be shared with students who have completed online applications for Summer School shortly.

If you do have any questions or queries in regards to any of the information above or anything further in relation to your transition to Workington Academy, please do not hesitate to contact me at ntweddle@workingtonacademy.org

I look forward to welcoming you to Workington Academy very soon.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, which appears to read 'N Tweddle'.

Miss Tweddle
Director of Learning – Year 7