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Year 6 Transition into Ripon Grammar School

Dear Parents/Guardians,

We are looking forward to welcoming your son/daughter to Ripon Grammar School in September. Whilst this is an exciting time for youngsters, I am well aware that the children in year six who are facing transition to secondary school may be experiencing concern and anxiety regarding the move in these difficult times.

Please let me reassure you that we are working hard during the closure to ensure a transition package is in place to support your son/daughter, and help them to look forward to starting at our school.

In the coming weeks, you will be issued a folder containing many important documents for you to read, some of which we require you to sign and return to school. The information contained in this pack will help you familiarise yourself with our school routines, uniforms and dining facilities, IT usage etc.

In addition to your information pack, your son/daughter will receive a transition booklet. Within this, they will find useful information regarding the school day, routines of the school, lessons they can expect and what they will be learning and clubs which are on offer. In addition, within this booklet there is a map of the school, key information about relevant people to go to for help and where to find them, uniform lists and menus.

We highly recommend that each new student devotes some time to reading through this booklet before September. In addition to this, we are also working on a transition project the students may undertake during the school closure, which is aimed at targeting key areas to assist the students in the move to secondary school. These areas include:

- Finding out about the Ripon Grammar School
- Looking at techniques for making friends
- Respecting differences and communicating effectively
- Understanding how secondary schools are different to primary schools
- Exploring feelings/worries about the change

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The work to produce this project is ongoing, but you will receive further information about transition in the coming weeks.

In the meantime, if you have any questions or concerns, please do feel free to contact me via email on: <u>hoy7@ripongrammar.com</u>

Yours sincerely,

Miss A Hoskins Head of Year 7

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