



Midhurst Rother College

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Dear Parent / Carer

Re: Year 6 Transition to Midhurst Rother College

Firstly, I would like to offer a warm welcome to you and your child to the Midhurst Rother College community. We are delighted that your child will join us in September and we look forward to building on existing relationships with families and children, as well as getting to know those of you who are new to us. You are all welcome and we are excited to work with you and your child both now and into the future.

We are currently experiencing a challenging time in education and across all areas of society. School closures are necessary to protect children and families, but they also bring significant challenges for support and communication with families; something which I see as a key part of the relationship between College and home. There are also issues around wellbeing for young people who are currently learning from home, as well as potential impact to education and progress through not being in school, however much we all work to minimise this.

At Midhurst Rother College, we recognise that transition can be an anxious time for some Year 6 students. I want to make sure that we minimise any anxiety so that your child feels excited and ready to join us. I hope that schools will be able to open during the summer term and that your child could take part in our transition programme as in previous years. It is possible, however, that schools will be closed for a significant period of time and it is prudent that we begin to plan for transition on the basis that our programme will have to be organised remotely.

We are in communication with feeder primary schools about transition and have been discussing plans to support your child. I will write to you again after the Easter break with more detail, but I want to take this opportunity to reassure you that your child and their smooth transition to the College is crucial to us. We need to get this right and are working hard to make sure that we do this. Communication is incredibly important: over the summer term, we will make contact with every family individually to talk about your child, their needs and how best we can support them.

As most of our staff are currently working remotely from home, if you have any questions or queries relating to transition please email accept@mrc-academy.org and a member of our transition team will get back to you.

In the meantime, I wish you all good health and hope that you and your family and friends are not affected by Covid-19.

Yours sincerely

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