

PUPILS MUST BRING THIS LETTER WITH THEM ON Monday 6TH SEPTEMBER AT 8:40 AM

July 2021

Dear Parent(s)/Carer(s),

Name of Child: Form Group:

I am writing to inform you about the arrangements for the start of the academic year for new Year 7 pupils in September.

As you may be aware, our usual Induction programme (which includes Induction Day and Induction Evening) has been unable to go ahead due to ongoing Covid-16 restrictions.

With this in mind, we have arranged for your child's first day at Yardleys School in September to be their Induction Day.

However, I understand that you or your child may be slightly apprehensive about the start of a new academic year in a new school. Therefore, the following notes and information are intended to provide reassurance as well as essential information about how Yardleys School operates.

Start Date/ Induction Day

School starts on Monday 6th September at 8:40 am for Year 7 pupils. This day will be an Induction Day for new Year 7.

On this day only Year 7 pupils will be in school so they have time to become familiar with secondary school life and the building before the rest of the school return the following day.

Pupils will need to wear full school uniform on that day, as it is also their first day at secondary school.

Please ensure that your child attends promptly at their start time to help keep everyone safe and to avoid congestion.

Finding Further Transition Information

We are aware that the lack of an Induction Day and Evening before the Summer holidays may leave students and parents feeling that they may not have access to the information they require. With that in mind we have created a Year 7 Transition Page on our school website. This page can be accessed from the home page of our website which can be accessed at www.yardleys-vle.com.

On the home page you will find a link that appears as the banner shown below. Click on the banner to access the Year 7 Transition Page.



On this page you will find a wealth of information that you and your child will need to prepare for your child's start at Yardleys School.

There are also video messages from the Year 7 tutor team, the Head of Year 7, and the Headteacher.

It is highly recommended that both you and your child access this page, as we hope the information contained there will help to reduce worries and anxieties about your child's new start in September.

Parents and Carers Picking Up and Dropping Off Children

If you are bringing children to school, either on foot or by car, please note that all children must be dropped off or picked up at the top of the drive at the correct time. Pupils should then walk down the drive on their own, where they will be met and supervised by members of staff. No parents or vehicles should come down the school drive unless by prior appointment.

Lunchtime Arrangements for Induction Day

Lunch will be provided on Induction Day - Monday 6th September.

Equipment

On the first day (Monday 6th September) pupils will be given an official school bag and PE kit bag, and will need to bring a pen to school.

From Tuesday onwards, pupils are expected to bring this bag, stationery, calculator and any relevant books to school every day. Complete pencil cases will be available for purchase via Parent Pay only, and these will be delivered to the child in their room.

I hope that the information in this letter, and on the school website provide reassurance to you all. Please do not hesitate to contact me should you have any enquiries using the school email address: enquiry@yardleys.bham.sch.uk.

In the meantime, please enjoy the remaining days of the summer break and I look forward to seeing your child in school on **Monday 6**th **September.**

Yours sincerely,

Mr Ben Tilley Head of Year 7