



Noel-Baker Academy

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Dear Year 6 Student and Parent,

In light of the current situation with the COVID-19 pandemic, I am writing as the Transitions Coordinator, to update you on your transition to Noel-Baker Academy. Firstly, and most importantly, I hope that both you and your families are keeping well and looking after yourselves in these challenging and uncertain times.

I hope that this letter reassures you that we are doing everything we can to ensure that your move to secondary school is as smooth and enjoyable as possible. We are still working hard in the background to make sure everything is in place so that you have the best start to Noel-Baker Academy in September. We are delighted that you have chosen to continue your education with us and we are looking forward to welcoming you into our family as soon as we can.

We have awaited additional guidance from the government, but now it looks very likely that we are going to have to make some changes to our transition events. Our normal provision would have included visits to see you in your primary schools, days where you could come in and spend time with us and an information evening where your parents and carers can come along and see you in Noel-Baker for the first time. As we adapt to the changes forced upon us this year, we will be back in contact with you again soon to let you know what will be possible in the next few weeks.

Our current plans mean that we are moving as fast as we can to make everything we would normally do face-to-face accessible online via our website, so that you still have all of the information you need from us, but in a way you can watch and read at a time suitable to you. This includes everything from a virtual tour of the Academy to a chance to meet staff you will see in September, in short videos that hopefully will answer some of the questions you might have.

Additionally, you will soon be receiving our transition welcome pack in the mail which includes all of the detailed information you need to begin your new school career in September. We intend for this to be your one-stop resource so you can find out all the specific information you need to know.

If you would like to find out more information, please visit our transition page at <https://www.noelbakeracademy.co.uk/transition-2/>.

Rest assured, we are working hard to make this the best transition experience we can in the circumstances and we appreciate all of your hard work, patience and support in this time.

Yours sincerely

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