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15th June 2022

Dear Parents and Carers of Year 6 pupils,

Re: Year 6 to 7 Transition to Kelvin Hall School September 2022

As we enter the final weeks of the academic year, I would like to update you with some key information regarding your child's transition to Kelvin Hall School in September 2022.

We know that this is a big moment in your child's life and that both parents and students may be anxious about the move to secondary school. At Kelvin Hall, we will do everything we can to make sure that your child can make a successful and smooth transition to their new school. Should you have any questions regarding this letter or anything else, please feel free to contact us using the details below:

- Mrs Ford-Bentham, Year 7 Pastoral Year Leader: fordt@thrivetrust.uk
- School Reception 8.30 - 4.00 pm Monday to Friday: 01482 342229

Contact with Primary Schools (June/July 2022)

Mrs Ford-Bentham has been liaising with our primary schools over the summer term, including visiting schools and overseeing all student transition information. She informs me it has been a pleasure to speak with Year 6 teachers and teaching assistants to learn more about our students. Not only have we gathered information regarding how our Year 6 students learn, but also about their interests at home and at school. Mrs Pratt (our school SENCo) has also been liaising with other key staff in the primary schools.

'Joining Kelvin Hall School' Information Booklet (June 2022)

You will find our 'Joining Kelvin Hall School' booklet linked [here](#) for you to browse at your leisure. The booklet contains important information about Kelvin Hall, including information about our school procedures, key staff, maps of the building, school uniform and the structure of our school day for the 2022-2023 academic year. After reading the booklet, if you still have any further questions, please feel free to contact the school. Should you wish to receive a hardcopy of the information booklet, please let us know by calling Reception on 01482 342229.

Uniform information (June 2022)

In common with most schools in England, we have a school uniform and rules on appearance that we require all students to follow. Please make sure you read and understand the uniform section in the 'Joining Kelvin Hall' booklet. You can find the uniform order form via [this link](#). You will be able to try on the uniform during our Induction Evening on Thursday 7th July 2022 and put your orders then. Please contact the school if you have any questions or concerns about this.

Focus Group Information (week commencing the 4th July 2022)

Using the information we have gathered, we are currently putting together the Year 7 Focus Groups and we will write to you again informing you of your child's Focus Group number and teacher in the week commencing 4th July. At the beginning of October 2022, we will be holding a Year 7 Focus Group Evening where you will be able to meet your child's teacher and discuss how your child has settled into school.



Year 6 Induction Evening (Thursday 7th July 2022)

On Thursday 7th July 2022, Kelvin Hall School will be hosting an Induction Evening open to all Year 6 pupils and their families. This will be an amazing opportunity for everyone to familiarise themselves with the building and members of staff, who will be there to answer any questions and queries you might have. This event will also enable you to have a look at our uniform, as well as try it on, and order your own, ready for September. Please note that more information on the Induction Evening will be sent in the next couple of weeks.

Transition Week (11th to 15th July 2022)

During the week beginning 11th July 2022, Year 6 students will attend Kelvin Hall for the full week. The activities have been prepared to ensure that your child's transition to Kelvin Hall School in September is as smooth and as straightforward as possible, and to give them a little taster of what lessons will be like at Kelvin Hall. During this week, there will be a variety of assemblies, classroom lessons, team-building activities, and baseline tests. More information on this week will follow in the next few weeks.

Website

On our school website www.kelvinhall.net, there is a section for parents to view called '[Year 6 Transition.](#)' This has key information about our staff, a virtual tour of the building, what students will study in Year 7, Frequently Asked Questions and much more. We have tried to make the website an information point for students, parents, and carers to become familiar with the school.

September 2022 (week commencing 5th September 2022)

Year 7 will start at Kelvin Hall School on Wednesday 7th September 2022. They will be the only year group in school for the start of this day which will help them in becoming familiar with the school before other year groups return. We will also be taking their school photographs during that day.

Finally, I would encourage you to follow us on our social media platforms and look out for updates on our school website. This will allow you and your child to keep up to date with all that is happening here at Kelvin Hall. I hope the information in this letter has been useful to you. We look forward to welcoming you and your child to our school community.

Yours sincerely,

Mr Christopher Leng
Head of School
Kelvin Hall School

