



Poynton High School and Performing Arts College

Head Teacher: Mr D. Waugh

13th July 2020

Dear Parents, Carers and young people,

I hope that this letter finds you and your family safe and well. I am writing to you with a couple of final updates before we break for the summer holidays.

Google Classroom – Forms

During the day on Monday, students will have a new classroom appear on their Google Classroom account. This classroom will include all of the students in their new form as well as their form tutor. When first seeing the classroom, you will need to accept the invite to the classroom. Once the invite is accepted, this classroom has a couple of activities for the final week of the high school year, including a time for students to meet with their new form tutor. This will be through the Meet function and full instructions will be available in the classwork section. (Please note, that if you are using a phone or tablet, you may need to download the Google Meet app to access the tutor meeting)

Students will then have access to both their primary classroom and their new form classroom. The bridging units will remain on the primary classroom and I would ask that students attempt these tasks before they arrive at PHS in September.

[Please use this link for the guide to accessing Google Classroom](#)

Transition Challenge 10 – Get to know your form

This week’s challenge is linked to the form classrooms mentioned above. The challenge can be found using the following link to our website and is also on the primary school section of Google Classroom.

[Transition Challenge 10 – Get to know your form](#)

Lockers

I have had quite a few requests with regards to how students can have access to a locker in Year 7. We have made sure that every student has been allocated a locker and in September, we will ask for parents and carers to let us know if they wish for their child not to have a locker. There is a charge of £30 to hire a locker for 5 years. An invoice will be sent to all parents and carers that choose for their child to take up their allocation of a locker.

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The transition to high school has been very different to a normal school year and I thank all of our new students for the way they have engaged with us. It has been fantastic to see the involvement of the students in the challenges and listen to the questions they have about coming to high school. I hope that they have started to feel like they are part of the Poynton family, even though they have not been able to have the face to face contact that we would normally hope for during transition.

Mr Waugh is finalising the arrangements for September following the recent published DFE guidelines. We will be in contact to give everyone a clear idea of what life at Poynton High School will be like in September, as well as logistics for the first day. Our current planning does have all of Year 7 starting at Poynton High School on Thursday 3rd September in full school uniform.

I hope that you and your entire family have a safe and relaxing summer and I very much look forward to welcoming all of our new Year 7s in September.

Yours faithfully,

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