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Dear Parent/Carer and new starter,

You should have recently been informed by the Local Authority that your child has been allocated a place in Year 7 at Bradfield School from September 2022. May I take this opportunity to welcome you and your family to our school. We are delighted you will be joining us, and we are confident that our 2023 starters will be a really successful year group.

Year 7 is a very special year for your child, marking the move from a relatively small school to a much larger one. Whilst the new environment may be quite different from primary school, we share that common goal to support your child's enjoyment of and success in learning, supported through their personal development. We see the partnership between families and the school as vital in ensuring this success and we look forward to developing this partnership to support your child's development over the next few years.

The transition from primary to secondary school can be a real challenge for both students and parents. Our aim is to make your child's transition a positive, smooth, and supportive experience. Included with this letter are important dates and information, designed to support your child's transition process.

Visits to Primary Schools

In the summer term, Mrs Lofthouse, Transition Lead, and other key staff will visit your child at their primary school. During this visit they will discuss key areas within Bradfield School, the transition process and answer any questions your child may have. Mrs Lofthouse will also meet with the Year 6 teacher to discuss any specific needs.

Mrs Hogg (SENDCo) will liaise with each primary school to obtain specific information for students who have any additional needs, and we will be running additional visits for students who need more support in their transition.

Modern Foreign Languages at Bradfield

At Bradfield School, we decide which language your child will study. We are aware that some primary schools provide a starter experience in a language, and this prepares students well for studying any language. However, we cannot guarantee that all students will continue with this language at our school. Some families may have circumstances for wanting their child to do a specific language, for example having family members whom they see regularly, who live abroad or who are native speakers. If this applies to you or you have any other reason which you feel is important please email Mrs Leroux, Subject Lead for Languages on aleroux@bradfield.sheffield.sch.uk no later than 31st March 2022 and we will do our best to accommodate your request.

Information sharing

All information will be shared on the school website. Please go to www.bradfield.sheffield.sch.uk, click 'Joining Our School', 'Transition to Bradfield'. There are some excellent videos on the website that were completed during lockdown which will support you and your child.

We will also update our twitter account Bradfield School @Brad_Updates

Myself and my team look forward to meeting and working with you. We will be in touch again before the transition day to provide you with more detail. In the meantime, if we can be of any further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact school via transition@bradfield.sheffield.sch.uk

Kind regards

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "A May". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, sweeping initial 'A' and a smaller 'M' and 'ay' following.

Sarah Loffhouse
Transition Lead

Adrian May
Headteacher

KEY DATES - TRANSITION 2022 -2023

Year 6 Welcome Evening – Wednesday 30th March 5:00 – 6:30pm

The Welcome Evening will allow you and your child to meet the Senior Leadership Team and students at Bradfield School.

5:00pm – 6:00pm- On arrival between these times you will be given a Welcome Pack. This will include your child's Data Collection Sheet. Refreshments will be available, and you will have the opportunity to fill in the forms and chat to current students and the Senior Leadership Team.

6:00pm-6:30pm- Formal presentation from Mr May - Headteacher, Mrs Banks - Deputy Headteacher, Mrs Hogg - SENDCo and Mrs Lofthouse - Transition Lead.

If you are unable to attend this event, we will post your Welcome pack out to you.

Family Quiz Night - Wednesday 25th May 5:30 – 6:30pm

We invite your family to a fun quiz night that will be led by our student leaders. This is an opportunity to meet other families. We will have prizes for the winning team and will also run a raffle with proceeds going to The Children's Hospital Charity.

To register your interest for this event please e-mail transition@bradfield.sheffield.sch.uk. Let us know your child's name and how many of your family will be attending. We welcome older and younger siblings to attend this event.

Transition Days at Bradfield School

All Year 6 students are invited to attend 2 transition days on **Thursday 23rd and Friday 24th June 2022**. This will give your child the opportunity to meet their Form Tutor, staff and join in activities that will support their transition to Bradfield School.

Additional Transition Day - Friday 17th June

For students who are joining Bradfield School on their own or in a smaller group we will offer an additional transition day. This additional transition day will allow students to build relationships with some other students who are sharing a similar experience. Each child will be sent an invite directly with all the key details.

Year 6 Parent Information Evening – Wednesday 29th June 6:30 - 7:30pm

We welcome you and your child back to Bradfield School for a formal presentation from staff and students. This will allow you to ask any questions that remain unanswered.

Summer School - Wednesday 31st August and Thursday 1st September 2022

The Summer School will support Year 6 pupils as they move to Bradfield School. Students will follow a timetable, meet a variety of teachers, and take part in a wide range of activities designed to prepare them for the demands of secondary school. Last year we had 95% of students attend and feedback from them stated it helped with the transition process.

More information will follow.