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Dear Year 6 – soon to be Year 7!

I hope you are staying well and managing to keep smiling through this current stage of lockdown. Whether or not you have made the decision to go back to year 6 at your primary, I hope you are keeping busy and tackling the new challenges being set by your teachers.

When I last wrote to you, just before half term, I promised some exciting things to come as well as further updates. So, today I can confirm that our THOA **Join Us** website (www.joinus.tenburyhigh.co.uk) will be ready for you to look at by Thursday 18th June. This website has been written especially for Year 6s who are joining us in September and Year 5s who are thinking of joining us the following year.

I am really proud of this website: your smooth and successful transition to high school is really important to me, and the team at THOA have created a brilliant website that will, hopefully, answer lots of your question and help prepare you thoroughly for your transition to us.

Of particular interest on the website will be our Year 6 Virtual Welcome Evening page. In normal circumstances, we would be welcoming you to school at the end of June for an evening with your parents/carers. It marks an important stage in your transition journey where you will meet some of the key staff who will play a huge part in your five year journey at THOA. So, as we have had to cancel this face to face event, we have created something very similar on the website. I really hope you enjoy watching our videos and learning lots of new things about us.

This is the website address and I really hope you enjoy it when you log in later this week www.joinus.tenburyhigh.co.uk – there is also a link to the website from our THOA website (www.tenburyhigh.co.uk).

One aspect of transition that will be really important to you is school uniform. I am enclosing an updated Pupil Handbook which gives updated uniform information on Page 8. As previously mentioned, we have a launched a new PE kit which we would like all Year 7s to have – it can be purchased online from <https://scimitarschools.com/product-category/tenbury-high-ormiston-academy/> - you can choose to have it delivered home for a delivery charge or delivered to school. School jumpers can be bought from the School Uniform Shop in Hereford or online at www.schooluniformshop.co.uk.

Ties, jumper badges and blazer badges are only available to be bought from the Academy Reception – we are waiting for stocks to arrive and plan to open on a day during the summer holidays to sell these – we will confirm this date as soon as the stock arrives.



Sadly, due to the current risks, I am not allowed to offer you any time at our school before the end of term, nor are we allowed to visit you at your school. Although this is disappointing, it is the right decision in order to maintain your safety and ours. Therefore, the website has been designed to bring as much of the school to you as possible and, in addition to this, we are arranging some remote meetings with some primary schools so we can answer your questions remotely but face to face. Get your questions ready for Mr Morris and Mrs Aldridge who will be remoting into some year 6 classrooms very soon. There is also a FAQ page on the website and a contact page where you can ask us anything you need to.

We will be writing separately to those who are booked on THOA transport (this transport is for pupils who are not eligible for local authority organised transport) in the next few weeks. For those eligible for transport through the local authority, please liaise with the school transport teams directly.

Make the most of the last few weeks of term, whatever this looks like for you. Please do take the time to engage with the content coming your way via the Join Us website. Do not hesitate to contact us if you have any further queries.

As soon as I have more information about the arrangements for your first day at Tenbury High in September, I will let you know.

I very much look forward to seeing you again soon. Take care, stay safe.

Kind regards



Mrs Dean
Principal

