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7th June 2021

Dear Parent(s)/Carer(s)

Welcome to The John Warner School. We are so excited to be able to introduce ourselves and ensure that both you and your child have all the information they will need moving forward about their transition to secondary school in September 2021. In a time of change and uncertainty we are hopeful to make the transition process as smooth as possible and to give a positive introduction to a secondary school experience. We hope that this communication helps to answer some of your questions.

The pastoral team consists of the following members of staff who will be working closely with your child and their primary school to ensure that we have all of the information we require to make the right decisions in regards to curriculum and pastoral pathways.

Mrs Jennifer Pope - Assistant Headteacher Key Stage 3 Behaviour and Attendance

Mrs Angharad Maughan - Director for Learning Key Stage 3

Miss Judith Stephenson - Head of Year 7

Mrs Alison Sharman - Designated Safeguarding Lead

Mrs Deborah Parker - SENCO

Mrs Kelly Wood - Pastoral Officer/ Secretary

Primary Transition

Primary transition visits will be starting the week commencing Monday 7th June 2021. School staff will be attending in person to the majority of primary schools, with some visits also taking place virtually 1:1 with the pastoral team. We will be talking with your child's teacher, your child and the SEND teams to gain as much information as possible to help support your child's transition.

Form Group Allocation

Following our visits to the primary schools, we will allocate a form and house to each child. Whilst we try to ensure that students are in form groups with at least one other child they know, this is not always possible due to timetabling and language options. Students have lots of opportunities to mix with their peers in lessons, clubs and social times which makes transition much easier and gives the chance to make new friendships.

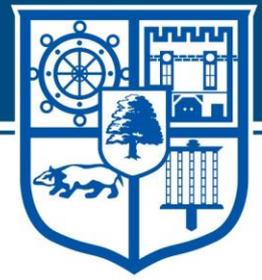
Wednesday 7th July 2021 - Introductory Evening for new pupils

This evening will give us the opportunity to present all information about your child's future at our school, arrangements for starting, curriculum updates and give your child the opportunity to meet with their new form tutor.

At the time of writing, we are hopeful that this event will be able to take place on the school site, however we are waiting for confirmation about the easing of COVID regulations from 21st June before a final decision is made.

Thursday 8th July 2021 Transition Day

The day will be an exciting opportunity for the pupils to experience school life, practical taster lessons, explore the buildings and start to build friendships with their fellow tutees and form tutor. Students will attend in their primary school uniform and trainers for the day due to taking part in some sporting activities.



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Language choice

All students at The John Warner School will experience a wealth of Modern Foreign Languages which gives them great opportunities to explore different cultures and languages to build their life experience. Most students will be taking French alongside one other language, consisting of either German or Spanish. We ask that your child makes a preference to one language using the link attached below however this is not a guarantee. Language choices are linked to timetabling and form houses.

[JWS Language Preference 2021 Form](#)

Please ensure that your child's preference is completed by Monday 21st June 2021 so that we can use this information to collate form groups and language classes.

In addition, some pupils will have the opportunity to have additional Maths or English Intervention classes which are timetabled at the same time as French so will opt for German or Spanish. Once preferences have been made we will update you on the language or intervention your child has been allocated.

Uniform

Due to the current restrictions and precautions in place regarding COVID our main uniform provider, *Stevensons*, will not be able to attend the school site so parents will need to book online appointments to visit their store for *Stevensons* uniform (<https://www.stevensons.co.uk/>). PE kit will be available through *Henry Tilley* after school on our transition day for purchases and ordering.

More details about our uniform can be found here <https://www.johnwarner.herts.sch.uk/69/school-uniform>

Equipment

It is vitally important that your child starts school in September 'Ready to Learn'. Part of being ready to learn is about having the correct equipment with them so that they can flourish in every lesson.

Please check the equipment list carefully and ensure your child has all of this equipment with them when they start with us in September. <https://johnwarner.s3.amazonaws.com/uploads/document/Equipment-List.docx.pdf?t=1615201944>

Please note, the school will not be offering the school equipment packs as we have in previous years. We have consulted with our pupils and they said that they would be excited to go and get their own supplies ready for school.

Lockers

Year 7 students have the opportunity to use a locker to help the store school equipment and sports kit. Further information on lockers will be provided via the school Finance department.

Summer school

The school will be running a number of summer holiday activity camps including the Extended Introduction to The John Warner School for our new Year 7 only. This will take place during the final week of the summer holiday (Monday 23rd – Friday 27th August) and will give our new students an additional opportunity to feel part of the school.





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Further details about joining this event will come through in a separate communication once details have been finalised.

Transition Information

Please remember that information about primary transition can be found on our website
<https://www.johnwarner.herts.sch.uk/513/primary-transition>.

We are really looking forward to welcoming your child into our school community and hope that they enjoy their first experiences when they visit. Moving forward after form group allocation we will provide parents with form tutor contact details for any future communication or questions.

I look forward to meeting your children at transition visits and parents at our Introductory Evening where we will give more in-depth information and have the opportunity to answer any questions you may have.

Yours faithfully

Jennifer Pope

Assistant Headteacher Key Stage 3