



YEAR 6 INDUCTION DAY

Dear Parent/Carer

09.07.21

It is with much sadness that we find ourselves writing to you at such a time when we hoped that the lifting of some COVID restrictions would offer us some long awaited freedoms and new opportunities. However in the last week we have seen a rise in cases both locally and nationally. We are aware of cases in the local primary and secondary schools and hence we feel that we must take a step to ensure the safety of our community, which will hopefully mean in-school events can go ahead as planned at the end of term. Hence, we have taken the very difficult decision to cancel our Year 6 Induction Day this forthcoming Monday, 12th July.

We understand that both you and your child will be very disappointed by this, as are we. We also apologise for any disruption that this may cause at this late stage. Whilst this will not fully compensate, or ignite the students excitement for stepping up to high school in the same way, we will be uploading a virtual 'welcome message' on the school website next week. This will be an opportunity for your child to meet their form tutor, importantly putting a familiar face to the name. Mrs Wheatley and Miss Rush will also be sharing their meet and greet assembly with you all too. We encourage the students to watch the virtual tour and read the nurture booklet if they have not already done so. All of these resources will be posted on our Year 6 webpage which can be found here: [Year 6 Welcome to KHS : Kesgrave High School Suffolk](#)

Following the government announcement this week with implications for on-site Lateral Flow Testing for all students on the return to school in September, we are considering a staggered start and how we will manage this for Year 7, who have not experienced this before. We will share more details on this next week. A staggered start will allow the students to arrive when there are a reduced number of students on site giving us greater opportunities to welcome, settle and orientate the year group around the school.

This academic year has been full of challenges that we never would have envisioned but we are hopeful that September will bring greater normality. We are very excited to be welcoming your child into our community; their energy, youth, passion for learning and desire to impress is always lovely to witness and be a part of.

We wish you all a very restful, hopefully warm, summer holidays and look forward to seeing your child looking smart, with a very well-stocked pencil case, most likely a new school bag and beaming smile in September.

Warm regards

Miss Upton
Headteacher

Mrs Wheatley
Head of Year 7

Miss Rush
Senior Student Support Officer