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Dear Parent /Carer,

I'm delighted to share further transition information with you on what we plan to happen between now and the end of term. We have had it confirmed that there will be no New Intake Day / Evening (which had been originally planned for July) so have adjusted our plans to do the very best we safely can.

We thought we would provide you with the information which would have been available on that day / evening now. There will be hard copy in the post (with forms to return please). We expect this to be sent out in the week commencing 22nd of June. We are further forward than ever so will also, in this information, be able to share with you your son's/daughter's form group and company (and tie colour).

This booklet of information will also include:

- Helping your child to get ready for secondary school
- Points of contact in the school.
- Timings of the school day
- Catering Arrangements
- Protocols regarding mobile devices
- Personal Care
- Attendance Expectations

We also wanted to make things a bit more personal and accessible for your sons and daughters. Some of our lovely (and very kind) year 7 and 8 students have prepared a virtual tour for you and your child to watch - the link to the tour is here: *(parents will be given the link)*.

Looking further ahead, towards the end of the month, we will send you another email and video specifically looking at frequently asked questions, again made by our students.

Once we are nearer the time, and following guidance from government and the local authority, we will send you details regarding the arrangements for the start of the new year. With things changing very quickly, we will continue to update you when we can. A programme of induction will be in place for when the students join us.

We very much look forward to meeting all of our new students individually and working with you as parents/carers. If you have any urgent questions that can't wait until the FAQ video in a couple of weeks, please be reminded that you can reach me via email at nbridgeman@durring.com. I can't promise I'll have all of the answers (times are quite uncertain) but we really do want to help, reduce any worries and make transition as smooth as possible so I'll do my best.

Warm regards,

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Head of Transition