

20th July 2021

Dear Parent / Carer,

We are looking forward to welcoming our new year 7s on **Monday 6th September at 8:40am**. Students should arrive at Queen Katharine Academy Theatre (on the right side of reception) from 8:15am in their full school uniform. Please note that our updated uniform policy is included in this pack, however the updates have already been shared with you. A reminder that the uniform ordering and collection information is on our website under Parents/Admission and Transition/Joining us at QKA Year 7 – Transition Information at: <https://www.qka.education/page/?title=Information+Updates&pid=273>. Staff will be on hand to show students where they need to go so please don't worry. There will be just year 7 and sixth form students in the academy building on our first day, this will give them plenty of chance to explore the building before the rest of our year groups start back on the 7th September.

During their first day, your child will meet their tutor, tutor group, year team, and be given a planner and timetable for their first two weeks. They will be partaking in some operational activities such as biometrics and Covid LFD testing, if consent has been given. Ice breakers, team building and a treasure hunt will also be part of this day.

During the first two weeks of their schooling, we will be teaching your children in their tutor groups. We do this to give them time to create friendships and support them in knowing our Academy. They will be participating in a variety of in and out of classroom activities within this time, embedded in our ethos of RESPECT and showing excellence in all they do.

Included in this pack is a variety of information as well as four optional summer challenges that your child can complete. The treasure hunt activity can be found online on our website <https://www.qka.education/page/?title=Optional+Transition+Projects&pid=272> . Once complete this is to be brought in on their first day, any student who has achieved 75% or more, will receive their very first achievement point!

We wish you a very happy and safe summer and look forward to supporting you and your children on the next stage of your educational journey together.

Yours faithfully,

Mrs C Burrows

Year 7 Progress Leader