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Dear Parent/Carer,

I hope you and your family are all staying safe and well during these difficult times.

Normally, at this time of the year, we would be inviting your son/daughter to visit Cottingham High School to take part in our extensive transition programme. Sadly, given the current situation, we are unable to do this. Taking into account all of the information available from the government, it has been decided that no transition activities will take place on secondary school sites in our area this academic year.

We are aware that this may well be unsettling for some students and their families, but please be reassured that we are taking every possible step to ensure that your son/daughter has the very best start to CHS. Wherever plausible, we will visit our prospective Year 7s in their primary schools, once these are again open to current Year 6 students, so that key staff can introduce themselves and discuss any concerns or anxieties. We will also produce additional content to answer commonly asked questions via our website and social media and parents/carers will receive further information through the post.

Our teachers have created a summer transition project booklet which is packed full of engaging activities, giving students a flavour of some of the thematic work they will complete when they arrive with us. These will be handed out by your child's primary school for them to complete over the next half term and during the summer break. We know they will enjoy completing this project in preparation for the secondary curriculum.

As a result of losing some of the transition time this term, we will be dedicating further time once our new Year 7 students join us at school to supporting them in adapting to their new surroundings and routines. We are very much looking forward to a return to some sort of "normality" at Cottingham High School, however, it is essential that this only happens when it can be done safely and we are currently making plans to ensure all students have a supported and purposeful return.

As we navigate our way through these uncharted waters, let me again reassure you that we remain as committed as ever to supporting your children and providing a safe and engaging environment in which they can learn.

We look forward to meeting all of our new students and their families very soon.

Kind regards

Mr D Clement  
Assistant Head

