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Dear Parent/Carer,

**Re: Update re Transition**

Following my previous letter, I would like to provide you with an update regarding our academy summer school, uniform and our parent/carers app (Weduc).

**Summer School (Transition)**

The safety of all our learners, staff and the community is of the highest importance and as you know, the decision was taken to cancel our Transition Week this year. In place of our transition days we are running a free summer school programme commencing on Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> August for all Year 6 into Year 7 learners. The summer school programme aims to provide fun activities and enable learners to experience a transition programme where they would not otherwise have had the opportunity.

You will have received a sign up form via Weduc forms to sign up to the summer school programme. Places are available for the whole year group, however we request prompt confirmation of your place to ensure we can confirm staffing availability.

Following recent Department of Education (DfE) guidance, we can confirm that the wearing of face masks or coverings is not compulsory, however we do recommend this where possible to reduce any potential transmission COVID-19. In line with DfE guidance, there is no requirement for year 6 learners to complete lateral flow testing as is currently the case in primary schools, however this is again available to you if you so wish. Test kits can be ordered from the Gov.uk website to be delivered to your home address.

**Year 7 Blazers & Ties Uniform**

As you are aware, Year 7 Blazers and ties will be gifted, free of charge to our new learners. We can confirm that our Year 7 blazer supplier for 2021/22 will be A Oakes Ltd. We want the process for parents and carers to obtain their items to be as easy as possible therefore, our anticipated timeline for this is outlined below.

**From Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> July until Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> July 2021** parents and carers can submit an order for their child's blazer (one per learner) via the following Microsoft Forms link: <https://forms.office.com/r/sgYmD4905d>. This can also be accessed via the academy website under Parents & Carers > Uniform & Suppliers.

It is important that all orders are made as soon as possible. This will help our supplier ensure your order is processed in a timely manner and delivered to the academy, ready for the new academic year. To complete this form, you will need to know your child's chest size and height. To measure the chest size, place a tape around your child's chest, under the arms and measure at the fullest part.

Sizing will be in inches and available from sizes 28 to 48. A visual can be seen via the A Oakes Ltd website alternatively, you may wish to visit A Oakes Ltd, Dudley to view sample blazers. Please give attention to the size you order; returns will only be considered provided that the blazer has not been worn. Orders can only be placed via the above Microsoft Forms link.



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Ties will also be provided free of charge to Year 7 learners during summer school or during the first week of term. Parents and carers can order PE Kit through our online supplier, Surr ridge Sport. We strongly encourage ordering early to avoid potential supply delays in the last days of the summer holiday. All other uniform requirements are outlined in the Parent/Carer Guide 2021. This can be accessed via the academy website under Parents & Carers > Parent/Carer Guide.

For Years 8 to 11, Blazers will also be available to purchase from Crested Schoolwear. The Trust is in the final stages of contractual agreements therefore, ordering will be made live in due course. All uniform updates can be found under the Parents & Carers > Uniform & Suppliers area of the academy website.

## Parent/Carer App (Weduc)

You are hopefully viewing this letter through our parent/ carer app, Weduc. Parents and carers should have already received an activation code via email to set up the parent/car er app. It is important that all our parents and carers where possible have access to Weduc as this will be our main platform for communications, ordering uniform and cashless payments to name a few.

If you have been unable to complete the process, please email [helpline@beaconhillacademy.org.uk](mailto:helpline@beaconhillacademy.org.uk) for assistance. In the interim, we will also upload transition letters and information to the Why Choose Us? > Welcome to Year 7 and Parents & Carers area of the website. If you have not yet completed the data collection form, please do so as soon as possible so that we hold the most up to date information regarding your child in advance of their start in September.

Should you have any queries or provide any additional information, please contact us by emailing me at [hmahey@beaconhillacademy.org.uk](mailto:hmahey@beaconhillacademy.org.uk). Transition information will be regularly published to the Why Choose Us > Welcome to Year 7 and Parent & Carer areas of our website during July and we encourage you to check back regularly for the latest updates.

Thank you for your ongoing support and we very much look forward to welcoming your child to our academy in the near future.

Yours faithfully

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