

Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> June 2020

Dear Parents/Carers

## <u>Transition Arrangements for Year 2 - Summer 2020</u>

As the end of the academic year approaches we are keen to prepare our pupils for the next stage in their learning journey. This year has brought unprecedented challenges but ensuring a smooth transition from The John Hampden School Wendover to Wendover CE Junior School is identified as a key priority for both schools.

This year, due to the current restrictions, it will not be possible to provide the usual transition activities for our Year 2 pupils so we have collaborated to put together a new plan for transition which aims to provide you and your children with the information you need along with opportunities to alleviate any worries or any uncertainty in terms of what lies ahead for September. We have chosen to use The John Hampden School Wendover website <a href="www.johnhampdenwendover.co.uk">www.johnhampdenwendover.co.uk</a> as the communication tool for everything to do with the transition for Year 2 pupils. A new tab 'Transition into Year 3' has been created and selecting this will give you access to the information you require. Each week, from now until the end of term, we will upload new information on a Monday and we will send you an email to remind you to take a look. Much of the information will be provided by Wendover Junior School and you may be required to return specific information to them directly via email.

We are particularly sorry that we have not been able to welcome back our Year 2 pupils this term and we are aware that it would be helpful for them to have the opportunity to say goodbye and finish this chapter of their education. For this reason we have chosen to make a slight change to the end of term date to allow your children to have a final session at school. On Monday 20<sup>th</sup> July the rest of the school will begin their summer holiday which will give us the capacity, and a safer environment, to invite Year 2 pupils back on this day. All pupils who wish to attend can return for a two hour morning or afternoon session (classes will be divided into two groups of 15). The sessions will take place outside in the school grounds, with social distancing measures in place, to make it as safe as possible. Year 2 teachers will lead the sessions with Year 3 staff also present for some of the time so children get to meet them personally. Further details will be provided nearer the time but we hope this opportunity will go a small way to helping our Year 2 pupils feel like their time at John Hampden has finished properly. Later in the Autumn Term 2020, all being well, we will borrow your children back for an afternoon to give them a proper farewell party.

Overleaf is a table that gives details of when you will receive specific information so you, as parents/carers, are aware of the process that is taking place.













Date	Activity
WC 22-6-20	Disseminate the Transition Plan to Parents/Carers via emailed letter Signpost to JHSW website 'Transition to Year 3' for updates each week WCEJS Admission Booklet uploaded to JHSW website & emailed to parents PL Uniform flyer emailed to parents & posted on website Welcome to Year 3 Powerpoint (Provided by WCEJS)
WC 29-6-20	Uniform appointments at WCEJS hall 3pm to 8pm (pre-booking only) Request questions from Y2 pupils about going into Y3
WC 6-7-20	Introduction to new class teacher Teacher welcome video* Parents to complete a sheet to return to WCEJS 'Tell us about your child' Video of new classroom/ key areas at WCEJS *Request for children to write a letter for their new teacher – to be emailed to teacher
WC 13-7-20	Indication of what they will be learning during Autumn Term & any preparation they need to do for Sept. Answers to FAQ
20 <sup>th</sup> July 2020	Outdoor activity morning or afternoon session for Y2 pupils at JHSW to close the year for them. Outstanding reading books to be returned Year 2 cohort photograph to be issued Collection of Leavers' mugs for those who have ordered them
WC 20-7-20	Information regarding organisation for first days in September
Autumn Term	If things are 'normal', invited back for a goodbye party at JHSW one afternoon.

We sincerely hope that these arrangements will help to prepare children for their new classes in the Autumn Term.

In the meantime, if you have any concerns please do not hesitate to contact myself or your child's class teacher.

Yours sincerely

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