



Westgate Academy

'Learning and Growing Together'

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Dear Parent/Carer,

First of all, I hope that you all had a relaxing half -term and have managed to stay alert and are keeping safe.

Following the latest government announcements, we have been very busy over the last few weeks preparing our school to welcome back our Year 6 children. They begin back at school on Monday 8th June 2020 and we are excited that they are able to return before the summer.

We have also been carefully considering how we can support our new Year 3 children and their families when term begins in September 2020. I have no doubt that your child might be feeling worried about moving schools but I want to reassure you that we are here for you every step of the way and will be doing whatever we can to ensure that we support you all.

Unfortunately, we do not know what school might look like from September 2020 but we have made some decisions about our transition arrangements and we are working hard to ensure we are doing everything we possibly can to ensure the start and return to school is positive.

We want your child to feel excited about returning to school and we have planned a series of activities and events to support this. On our school website, there is a Year 2 Transition area section and within this you will start to find information about starting with us. Please follow the link:

Hopefully, they will start to feel more at ease and still feel confident about starting Westgate.

| Week beginning: | Activities/Events |
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| 1 st June 2020 | Letter to parents outlining transition communication schedule and how we aim to help the children. |
| 8 th June 2020 | Film: Introducing ourselves and our roles, including some children comments! |

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| 15 th June 2020 | Update letter to parents including uniform information. Film - Tour of our amazing school learning environment and news on what children think! |
| 22 nd June 2020 | School information pack posted home Teachers to write a transition letter to the children in their class: 'Welcome to Westgate' information booklet for children to keep 'All about me booklet' returned to Westgate - stamped addressed envelope sent home School Film: Our school |
| 29 th June 2020 | Film: Introduction to the Year 3 teaching team |
| 6 th July 2020 | Film: Your classroom |
| 13 th July 2020 | Create an opportunity to meet up with teacher and TA - an activity to allow some communication between school and home, depending on government guidance and expectations |

If you do have any concerns or questions about your child's transition then please contact me directly using the email address on the letterhead or use our enquiries contact details.

We look forward to connecting with you later in the summer term, as we prepare for the start of your child's new journey with us.

Kind regards,

Richard Stock
Headteacher

