



Friday 25<sup>th</sup> June 2021

## Year 6 Primary Transition

Dear Parent/ Carer,

Welcome to Cheltenham Bournside School. Thank you for choosing us; we are so looking forward to your child joining our school community. To ensure your child's transition is as smooth as possible, we have a comprehensive programme in place to support them both with getting used to their new school and the new routines.

Following the government announcement of the restrictions extension and having listened to the views of the Headteachers of all of the primaries sending pupils to us next year, unfortunately we will not be running our proposed primary transition days on Tuesday 6th and Wednesday 7th July. Our decision is in response to the current local situation and is in line with other secondary schools. Most significantly, we are committed to working closely with primary schools the majority of which said they would prefer not to have transition days this academic year; we are very grateful for the constructive and supportive feedback we've received.

### Year 6 Parent/ Carer Evening – Monday 5<sup>th</sup> July 2021

Our Parents Evening will however go ahead as planned **virtually**. It will commence at 6pm and will consist of a presentation from key members of staff. Following this there will be an opportunity to join break out rooms to ask any specific questions you may have. Further details will follow at the end of next week.

Over the coming weeks I will be adding new information to the school website specifically for our year 6 students. Please can you encourage them to look each week. It will include tours of the school, key messages from staff and information to help them prepare for the move to Year 7.

### Tutor group information

By Monday 5<sup>th</sup> July 2021 your child will receive a letter from their new Head of House welcoming them to their new house and informing them of their tutor group.

### Start of the school year 2021/2022

Whilst the full set of term dates for the 2020/21 academic year can be found on our school website, in the section titled 'parents', I can confirm that the first day for year 7 students is **Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2021** and the start time for this day is **8:45am**. On this day, year 7 and year 12 students will be the only pupils in school so they can start their transition experience. They will be meeting key members of staff including the Senior Team, Heads of House and their Form Tutor.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you, in advance, for all the support that you will provide your child, who will be joining us in September. It is a very exciting time for them and I look forward to working with you throughout this year's transition process.

Yours Sincerely,

Mrs S Lees, Assistant Headteacher