

June 2021

Dear Parents/Carers of Year 8 Pupils

Options & Transition Process for Year 8 Starting at Alleyne's Academy in Year 9 in September 2021 - Update

I hope that this letter finds you well as the world starts to cope a little with the current situation.

I am writing to give you an update as to where we are with the Options and Transition arrangements for Year 8 as they move to Year 9 at Alleyne's in September 2021. Your child has selected option preferences for his/her start at Alleyne's; we hope that the children feel involved in their journey from middle school to Alleyne's so far and have further exciting arrangements for them.

In terms of our programme of support aimed to aid the transition of your child to Alleyne's in September 2021, we have now got to stage 6/7 where the students have been provided with details about the option subjects and made their choices. By the time to receive this letter they will also have completed the Transition tests meaning that the next thing for students is the Experience Days. We have decided that a face to face evening would be too soon so we will be providing a virtual evening instead as stage 9. You will be provided with tutor groups and Houses at this stage; sets and year halves will be issued as part of timetables in September. If you have any particular concerns, please contact your child's Head of Progress and Support, Mrs Broadist ([h.broadist@alleynes.staffs.sch.uk](mailto:h.broadist@alleynes.staffs.sch.uk)). The children will shortly receive a letter with details for the Experience Days. You will no doubt have been told that these are now actually one day for each middle school under in the current level of restrictions and infection and thus the format and content will also be different than originally planned. In addition, Mr Bailey, our SENDCo, will shortly be in touch to provide additional transition activities for students with particular needs. The children will also soon receive their final option subject allocations.

Please do not hesitate to contact me, or Mrs Broadist, with any questions.

Yours faithfully



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