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Parents/ Carers of Year 6 pupils

Dear Parents/ Carers

MOVING FROM PRIMARY TO SECONDARY SCHOOL IN 2020

Moving to secondary school is an important milestone for you and for your child. I hope that your child is looking forward to joining their secondary school in September.

I am sorry that the end of your child's time in primary school cannot be as it usually would. Many Year 6 pupils have now returned to their primary schools however a number of their classmates remain at home. I know that their primary teachers are striving to make these last few weeks special whether your child is in school or remains at home.

Over the last few weeks a group of primary and secondary teachers have been working together to share ideas and resources to support your child as they transition from primary to secondary education and I thank them for their work. Three secondary schools have provided special materials for English, mathematics and science for all Year 6 pupils to try; this is in addition to resources provided by individual high schools for their soon to be new Year 7 pupils. The resources can be found at <https://www.burytsa.co.uk/developing-teaching-learning/transition-high-school-2020>.

Please encourage your child to work through the activities that their school asks them to complete. As part of this, we ask that you spend time with your child discussing their thoughts and feelings about leaving primary and starting secondary education.

This year Bury's high schools have not been able to welcome pupils for their transition day in the school. As a consequence, our high schools are changing their plans for the start of the Autumn Term in September to ensure that your child has more time, together with their fellow Year 7 pupils, to be introduced to secondary school life and to have their questions answered.

It has been lovely for many of our primary schools to have welcomed children back over the last few weeks. Schools are just not the same without them.

Thank you for your support.

Yours sincerely

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