

Dear Year 6 pupil (Parent/Guardian)

Last week, I wrote to you to sadly confirm we have had to cancel our Year 6 Transition Day. Since then, we have adapted some of the resources we created last year during lockdown and I have created a new video for you too. Below, you will find details of resources that are available on our Transition Page (<https://www.burychurch.bury.sch.uk/transition/>) to help aid your move to us.

- Welcome to Year 7 (2021). This video is an up-to-date welcome to you all and a brief introduction to the other videos (<https://www.burychurch.bury.sch.uk/transition/index.php#2021welcome>)
- Welcome to Year 7 (2020). Although recorded last year, and therefore with some slightly out of date references, it does give a thorough introduction to Year 7 and will be helpful (<https://www.burychurch.bury.sch.uk/transition/index.php#2020welcome>)
- Packtypes (2020). More details below regarding this. Please be aware some of the references are dated due to it being recorded last summer (<https://www.burychurch.bury.sch.uk/transition/index.php#Packtypes>).
- Mr Guest Answering your questions (2020). We asked Year 6s last year to submit questions they would usually ask on their transition days or during their primary visit. I answered all of these questions in a video and this will be helpful to watch. We have removed the parts that are completely irrelevant this year. (<https://www.burychurch.bury.sch.uk/transition/index.php#MrGuestQandA>)
- A Tour of the School. This was recorded by pupils as part of their Archbishop of York Award several years ago. It gives you a brief tour of our High School (<https://www.burychurch.bury.sch.uk/transition/index.php#SchoolTour>)

Packtypes Lesson

On one of your transition days, we usually spend some of the morning working on Packtypes. This is a card based activity that helps you learn more about yourself and others, with the aim of making you more confident and self aware, not just in school but more generally. One of the ways we use Packtypes in school is to help decide form groups. It should take less than 2 hours in total to complete the lesson and hopefully you will find it interesting and engaging. All you will need before starting will be a pencil and the main worksheet printed (if you do not have a printer, you will be able to adapt the task and work on paper). As this is something we use for form groups, we would **really appreciate you letting us know what your main Packtype is by Friday 2nd July.**

I understand that not all of you will have access to the materials and may be unable to complete the work because of family circumstances, so if you cannot complete it, please do not worry. However, if you do complete it, please let us know by using this form:

<https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=KKV3nxee2UOih75veGfsxtiMKeMbYANPi5x14SauSdNUOURNRFNOTjBFRVWWE4yMTZVT1daVThLOC4u>

You will also find in the link above, a box for you to be able to ask me anything that you may be worried about relating to transferring to high school if it has not already been covered in the videos above. Normally when we visit you at Primary school you are able to ask us questions about things that may be worrying you, so this is to help recreate that. Once all your questions have been submitted, I will send out another video covering your questions. This will be sent out in mid-July. I will not refer to anyone's name in the video so please do ask any questions at all - there is no such thing as a bad question. This also needs to be done **by Friday 2nd July.**

We are also currently finalising the Form Tutor team that you will have in September and when we are able, we hope to introduce the team to you remotely, again to help you feel a little more secure. We will not communicate to you what form group you will be in until you join us in September, as is always the case.

We are currently considering how best to deliver our 'New Intake Evening' for your parents / guardians to attend for us to share wider information about the school systems and I will be in touch with more details about this as soon as possible.

All the information we are sending out to you will be available on our website at:

<https://www.burychurch.bury.sch.uk/transition/>

There is also lots of information for your parents / guardians on our website too about our policies and procedures, learning and our school life. This is a useful resource for them, and you.

I hope this information helps to allay concerns you may have as you transfer to Bury Church High School. If, as information comes out, families have any worries, please contact me directly via p.guest@burychurch.bury.sch.uk.

Take good care, and hope to see you soon,

Mr Guest

Head of Year 7