



JUNIOR SCHOOL

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# Dobcroft Junior School

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## Year 2 Transition Plans

Dear Parents & Carers of Year 2

First of all I hope you are all well and making the most of this amazing weather. We are busy at the juniors preparing for the wider opening of our school for year 6, however just as important to us are the year 2 children who are joining us in September. I am therefore writing to update you on our transition plans during this time. Obviously much of the planned activities are not able to happen due to the current circumstances, however our team in school are working hard to be as creative as possible. I will outline below where we are up to and what we hope to achieve over the next 6 weeks.

<b>Information sharing between teachers</b>	This has already begun and will continue this half term and year 3 teachers will be in communication with teachers at all infant settings in the coming weeks
<b>Getting to know our school</b>	Our year 3 pupils have made videos of our school showing what life is like here and these will be put on our <b>website by the 5<sup>th</sup> June</b> - there will be a dedicated space on the website called 'Year 2 transition 2020'
<b>Parent &amp; Carer information booklet</b>	These will be on our <b>website by 12<sup>th</sup> June</b> - please email <a href="mailto:enquiries@dobcroft-jun.sheffield.sch.uk">enquiries@dobcroft-jun.sheffield.sch.uk</a> if you would like a paper copy
<b>Pupil information booklet</b>	These will be on our <b>website by 12<sup>th</sup> June</b> - please email <a href="mailto:enquiries@dobcroft-jun.sheffield.sch.uk">enquiries@dobcroft-jun.sheffield.sch.uk</a> if you would like a paper copy
<b>Video message from your new teacher</b>	Teachers and classes have been allocated (see below). <b>A video message from the teacher will be on the website by 19<sup>th</sup> June</b> . They will also be asking children to send in a piece of work electronically- eg a short letter about themselves.
<b>Google Hangouts</b>	In groups of about 10-11 teachers will send a link for a google hangout meeting so the children can say hello to their teacher and some of their classmates- <b>this will be over a 2-3 week period beginning 22<sup>nd</sup> June</b>
<b>Video message from the head teacher and other key staff</b>	We will create a video for parent & pupils from all of the key staff in school, and explain some of the important bits of information (much of which will be in the booklets)- this is a chance to put names to faces. This will be on our <b>website by 29<sup>th</sup> June</b> .
<b>Tour of the school</b>	We really want to enable a socially distanced tour of the school to take place this half term, but we need to manage this appropriately. If this isn't possible before we break up then we hope to do a parent & carer tour week 1 of the autumn term. For the moment this is to be confirmed.
<b>Helping your Y3 child at home</b>	This is meeting/workshop held by the year 3 teachers, normally in week 2 of the autumn term. We hope this will still go ahead but it is still to be confirmed.

Classes & teachers

All year 3 classes will be in the main building. For those of you that know the school they will be in three of the existing year 4 classrooms.

<b>Current class</b>	<b>Teacher</b>	<b>Location</b>
<b>Kingfishers</b>	Mrs Scammel (Mon-Tue) Mrs Collis (Weds-Fri)	Current Y4 concourse right room / Y4WL
<b>Eagles</b>	Miss Fee	Current Y4 concourse left room / Y4JF
<b>Woodpeckers</b>	Mrs Kirk	Current single Y4 unit / Y4J

I really hope the planned activities and communication we are putting in place, goes some way to replicate usual transition and that as parents & carers you feel reassured that we are trying our utmost to make the situation as smooth as possible for the children.

If you have any questions regarding transition please do not hesitate to get in touch with school and mark communication FAO Mrs Collis (lead of Y3 transition).

In the meantime I wish you well and I look forward to properly meeting you all.

Yours sincerely

Mrs Nicola Sexton- Head Teacher