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Dear Parent/Carer

## **Transition Update**

I hope this finds you well and would like to thank you again for choosing George Pindar School for your child's secondary education. We are very much looking forward to getting to know you and your child in the weeks ahead and helping them make a smooth transition to secondary school.

As we begin the new half term, our Head of Kestrel House Miss Petts, who leads on the Year 6 to Year 7 transition, is attending meetings across our feeder Primary Schools, meeting with your child's teachers and finding out more about your child. I am delighted to write today to give an overview of the transition activities we intend to offer in the weeks ahead. We are working hard with colleagues at feeder primary schools to ensure that the move to secondary school will be as smooth as possible for your child and are delighted that we can welcome him/her to school soon.

We are delighted to invite your child to our face-to-face transition days on **Thursday 3 and Friday 4 July 2025**. These days will offer the best possible preparation for a confident start to Year 7. Pupils should arrive at school at **8.50am** to the main student entrance where they will be greeted by school staff and move inside school for two full days of transition activities including getting to know their new form tutor and team building with their new friends, as well as experiencing some secondary school lessons. Your child will require a packed lunch and drink on both days and should wear PE kit or sports clothing due to the activities which are taking place. Pupils who are in receipt of Free School Meals will receive a packed lunch provided by our school kitchen according to details shared by Primary Schools. Activities will finish at 3pm when pupils will be free to leave the school site.

Additionally we would like to invite you to meet key school staff and ensure that you have all the information your child needs to make sure he/she is ready for life at George Pindar School. Our Transition evening will take place on the evening of **Wednesday 2 July** and it is vital that a parent or carer attends to get a full understanding of the transition to secondary school, to complete admission forms for the new year and to get answers to any queries you may have. Presentations will take place at 5pm and 6pm and to support us with planning, we would appreciate you completing this very short Google Form to book your place: <a href="https://forms.gle/giywWazwXKT2k5yj6">https://forms.gle/giywWazwXKT2k5yj6</a>

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A comprehensive transition booklet will arrive with you shortly along with details of how to order uniform so please do keep an eye out for this pack which will be handed out via feeder primary schools. We look forward to meeting you and your child soon. In the meantime, should you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact news@gps.hlt.academy and we will direct you to the appropriate member of staff. I would like to take this opportunity to thank you again for choosing George Pindar School for your child's secondary education and I look forward to seeing him/her very soon.

Yours sincerely

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Lesley Welsh
Principal