



June 2020

Dear Family

The past few months have been challenging for all of us. Despite this we are looking forward to seeing all of the new students starting with us in September 2020. This is a constantly changing situation, but this letter gives an outline of our plans.

### Induction Days

Originally, we had planned to host induction days onsite on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> of July. Due to Covid-19 we are unable to do this. Bringing students together from so many primary schools is not something we feel that would be possible in terms of the current guidance.

However, we are able to offer a Virtual Induction. This will involve students logging onto a prepared website where they can discover:

- A virtual tour of the school
- A short video from each member of staff
- Current students talking about their experiences at WBCA

We will also be offering a number of virtual activities as part of our 'Going Wild' Induction Days. Here students will be able to take part in a whole series of planned activities. We have informed primary schools of our intention to run these days and hope you will be able to take part; we have put in a lot of time and effort to try and make these days as engaging as possible. Further guidance and details of how to access the site, including who your form teacher is going to be will be sent out shortly.

On July 2<sup>nd</sup> at 4pm I will run a Live Microsoft Teams event, giving a presentation about the academy and what to expect. As it is a live event there will be an opportunity to ask questions and for them to be answered. Again, I will provide details of how to access this in the same communication as the password for the Induction Days.

### Our Plans in September

Our plan at the moment is to have all students in all year groups start back with us on Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> September. This is of course subject to national guidance stating that it will be safe to do so. We will comply with all guidance to ensure that our site and your children are safe. If there is any change to this, we will let you know immediately.

I hope you all stay safe and well and we look forward to you participating in the activities on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> July.

Kind regards

George Faux  
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