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Parent/Guardian of:

Dear Parent/Guardian,

We are delighted that your child will be joining us in September. Between now and when your child moves to Farmor's School we will be holding a number of different events to help your child prepare for secondary school.

The **Intake Days** are scheduled for **Monday 4th July and Tuesday 5th July 2022**, though this is subject to the continued lifting of covid restrictions. On the evening of **Tuesday 5th July** there will be a talk in the main hall from the Head Teacher and Head of Year 7. You will also get the opportunity to meet your child's Tutor. For safety reasons we need you to complete the enclosed form so that we are able to contact you on the intake days if there are any problems. If you do not complete the form we will not be able to contact you if your child is sick etc.

Over the next few months, our Head of Year 7 will either visit your child's primary school or invite them in to Farmor's for a session on moving from primary to secondary school and to answer any questions they may have.

Tutor Group Allocations

If you have a special request regarding tutor group allocations, please complete the enclosed form and return to the school office, and they will be considered.

KS3 Languages

At Farmor's all students in KS3 study one language: French or Spanish. Students will be allocated one of these languages and will be taught within their tutor groups. If you have a reason as to why your child should study one language in particular, please email asampson@farmors.gloucs.sch.uk. Acceptable reasons may include strong family ties to one of the relevant countries or an older sibling studying the language at a higher level.

Transport (Routes FS7, FS8, FS9, FS9, FS10, FS11 and FS12)

Information on school buses for the above routes, and an application form, are included with this letter. To secure a place on the bus please return the completed application as soon as possible, by **no later than 31st March. After this date we cannot guarantee your child a place on the bus.** You will not be notified of a place until July. Bus passes will be issued on the students' first day in school in September, providing the 1st payment due in August has been made. The bus companies are aware of this and the children will be allowed on the bus without a pass on the first day.

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House Allocations and Ties

There are four houses, Tame (yellow striped tie), Barker (red striped tie), Keble (green striped tie), and Farmor (blue striped tie). Each student will be allocated a house prior to joining us in September. If you already have a child at the school, the younger sibling will automatically be allocated to the same house. If this is not the case, then we will allocate them a house. If you have a historical reason why you might like your child allocated to a particular house, please complete the enclosed form and return it to the school office and we will do our best to accommodate your request.

The school ties are £6.50 each and will be available to purchase via ParentPay and will be distributed on the pupils first day. ParentPay log in details will be sent out to parents at a later date.

Special Educational Needs (SENCO)

Our SENCO (Mr Dan) will be liaising with all the feeder primary schools. This process ensures that any particular needs that your child has will be shared, and the appropriate support put in place, for when they join us in September. Mr Dan will also visit all the primary schools that have children on the SEN register and a 'Pen Profile' will be drafted to capture their strengths and needs. This document will be shared with parents for their input before the end of the summer term. You will have an opportunity to meet with the SENCO at the Parent's Evening after the induction days. Mr Dan will also be happy to meet with parents on an individual basis, should you wish to do so.

School trip consent and medical form

It is important that we capture medical information about your child and get school trip consent ready for September. Please complete the form included with this letter and return it to; Admissions 2022, School Office, Farmor's School, The Park, Fairford, GL7 4JQ by **31st March 2022** so that we have time to process it.

Action required by 31st March 2022:

- Complete and return the contact information sheet
- Complete and return the bus application form (if appropriate)
- Complete and return the school trip consent and medical form
- Complete and return the house and tutor group form

I look forward to meeting all the students in the next few months. Should you have any queries please do not hesitate to get in touch by phone or email asampson@farmors.gloucs.sch.uk

Yours sincerely



Amanda Sampson
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