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Dear Parents and Carers,



As College Director of The Bridge at President Kennedy School, I wanted to say congratulations to your child on receiving a place with us. We are truly excited about your child joining us in the new academic year where they will begin to flourish in their secondary school career.

With the current situation of COVID-19, I hope you and your family are well. At President Kennedy, we appreciate that the cancellation of Year 6 SATs has created much disappointment and upset, especially as Year 6 students have been working so hard over the last 12 months. Additionally, I'm sure there has been further upset that your child may not have been able to say their final farewells to both their friends and their teachers. Please rest assured that Primary and Secondary schools are liaising closely to ensure that Year 6 children are not at a disadvantage when they begin Year 7.

In The Bridge we will be adapting our transition suitably so that no learner is left behind and that all students can showcase their abilities to their full extent when they arrive at President Kennedy School. We will support their emotional and social well-being, more than ever, as we plan towards the new academic year.

Although our usual transition programme is temporarily paused whilst we take daily guidance from the government, we are working with all our primary schools and Year 6 teachers to ensure that relevant information about each student is sent to us in preparation for when we welcome our new Year 7 year group. For many students, familiarity with the staff and their new environment allows for a smooth transition in their new beginning. Although our usual plan of events cannot currently take place, be aware that we will do all that we can between now and September to ensure that we can remove any barriers with the transition, to ensure that your child is supported to the best of our ability during these unprecedented times.

Whilst we all wait patiently for better circumstances, I hope you and your family remain safe and healthy. There is much to look forward to as Year 6 students start their transition into secondary school. I have no doubt that your journey with us at President Kennedy School will be the wonderful beginning that we will all need after these difficult times. We will continue to contact you with regular letters so that you are informed of any dates or events that are planned, as well as sending our uniform voucher in the summer which will allow you to purchase a uniform package at a discounted price. In the meantime, if you have any queries regarding your child's placement at President Kennedy, do not hesitate to contact the school on the following email address: transition@pks.coventry.sch.uk and either myself or a Bridge colleague, will contact you as soon as possible.

Kindest regards,

Mrs Alexander-Weller
Director of The Bridge

