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High School**
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Dear Parents, Carers and Year 6 Children

I hope that you and your families are keeping safe and well, as we continue through these uncertain times.

Many of you will have heard our Prime Minister speak on Sunday, and inform us that, if it is safe to do so, Year 6 will be returning to school around 1 June. As yet we do not know exactly what that will look like, and each of the primary schools that we receive children from may well be doing different things. I'm sure that at the moment they are working out what is best for their children, given the school's individual circumstances regarding staffing, space and safe social distancing.

As part of Invictus Multi Academy Trust we are working together to decide how we can safely bring your children into their new high schools before the summer, to give them the opportunity to look around, meet some of the staff and see their friends – all at a safe distance! We will be better placed to make considered decisions once we have seen the latest information from the Department of Education; and have heard and seen what the primary schools choose to do.

In the meantime, our Transition Leads are working on a Toolkit to send to every one of your children at the beginning of June. This will include lots of advice and support, as well as some activities, in preparation for them starting high school – from how to pack school bags in an organised manner to sorting their bus route to, and from, school. Alongside this we are about to have a new webpage on our Invictus Website, especially for Transition – this will launch in the coming weeks. There you will find virtual tours of all our school, video messages from key staff, activities and links to other websites that we think will be of use to you, and your child. We will send the Toolkit, by post, to your home, please email parents@pedmorehighschool.uk and let us know if you will need paper copies of the other resources on our website, otherwise we will assume you are happy for your child to access them from there.

We will continue to keep in touch with you over the next few weeks. As soon as we have the guidance we need in order to arrange Transition Days we will let you know. As I said in my last letter, we are very much looking forward to meeting our new Year 7 children and giving them the best possible start we can to their life Pedmore High School.

Yours sincerely

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