

Bishop Luffa School

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Transition Tuesdays 2025 – Week 2

I hope that you are all well and have had a good week.

Since last week, our experienced Pastoral Team has been busy visiting Year 6 students at their primary schools. Visits started on Monday 2nd June and will conclude on Friday 13th June. Our staff have thoroughly enjoyed the opportunity to meet your children and we cannot wait to see them all together on Wednesday 2nd July for their transition day, and the next important stage of welcoming them to the Bishop Luffa family.

The reports back from our staff following their visits have been overwhelmingly positive. Your children have been excited to talk about how much they are looking forward to joining us in September and have also been prepared to share some of the worries that they have. Last week's activity, **Going to Secondary School – How do you feel?**, will have prompted lots of questions, and our Pastoral Team were certainly met with plenty when they visited!

Visiting staff have reminded Year 6 that if/when they think of questions after they've left, they can still ask us by emailing <u>Year6Questions@bishopluffa.org.uk</u>. This is overseen by staff, but our Year 7 students will be providing the answers, which are emailed back.

You can access the transition web pages <u>here</u>. There's a section for Year 6 students, and one for parents and carers. We are reviewing the content and sections will continue to be updated.

Our suggested task for this week is to spend time together with your child, looking at the pages and finding out more about the school and what to expect next year.

Next week, we will begin working on House allocations – for children that are not siblings, we appreciate that they are keen to know which House they will be in. Please be patient as we handle a large amount of information and carefully manage a number of factors to ensure that each Tutor Group is just right. This includes selecting the Form Tutor, and we will tell you who they are when we share the news about House allocation.

As a school we work in partnership with <u>Action Your Potential</u> in order to help students see the links between positive wellbeing and effective study habits. Action Your Potential are running a webinar on <u>26th June</u> and <u>2nd July</u> at 8pm, for parents and carers, aimed at helping manage the change to Secondary school. If you are interested please sign up via the links: <u>Sign up for 26th June</u> or <u>Sign up for 2nd July</u>.

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Weekly message from the Library team

Reading unlocks so many opportunities supporting children's wellbeing and leads to increased achievement at school. Reading about hobbies, passions and interests is a great way for your child to increase their reading stamina. <u>Click here</u> to read the non-fiction reading recommendation list from our Curriculum Leads for some of the different subjects we offer at Bishop Luffa.

Finally, last week I included information about the Childrens' Learning and Well-Being Audit for parents and carers (CLAWBA). Completing the form is optional, and we are very grateful for anything you would like to share with us, so we can plan the best possible support for you and your child. Please <u>click here</u> to complete the form.

Please remember we are here for you throughout your child's transition into Year 7. If you have any concerns or questions, please let us know by emailing <u>transition@bishopluffa.org.uk</u>

Warm regards,

Neil Topley Assistant Headteacher