



## A message from Mr Parfitt, our Transition Lead at the Academy.

I'm sorry things continue to be very disruptive for your son/daughter in their preparation from Primary to Secondary school. At this point in the year we would usually have arranged and undertook the New Year 7 Parents Evening, individual student-parent interviews, school visits and would be about to hold our annual 2-day Transition visits. Unfortunately, because of COV-19 this has not been able to happen again, this year. Over the last 6 weeks, however, we have been working hard to collate information about your son or daughter from your Welcome pack returns and information from their primary school teachers and support staff. This has given us valuable transition information to help meet the varying needs of our new students. If we have not contacted, you already we will do so before the end of term if additional information and transition is needed.

We look forward to meeting you in the coming months and hope you find this Newsletter informative. An August edition of this Newsletter will give you additional information for the start of term or outline if any changes are to be made to our plans. Stay safe and well everyone!



<b>Summer School</b>	<b>- Monday 9<sup>th</sup> – Friday 13<sup>th</sup> August (10am-2pm)</b>
<b>New Year 7 Induction Day</b>	<b>- Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> September (9:00am-2:00pm)</b>
<b>First Day of Term</b>	<b>- Monday 6<sup>th</sup> September (8:30am start)</b>

## What College and Tutor group will my child be in?

Included with this Newsletter is information about which College your son/daughter has been placed in as well as providing the name of their tutor and key contact details.

### Each College has the following influential staff to support your son/daughter;

**College Leader** – This person is a member of the Senior Leadership team who has the overall responsibility for all the students in a particular college.

**Assistant College Leader (ACL)** – This person is a middle leader who supports the College leader with the general day to day organisation, welfare and pastoral support for groups and individuals within the College.

**Learning Mentor** – This person is a non-teaching member of staff who provides pastoral and mentoring support to the students in their college throughout the day. These individuals are very mobile and visible around the academy and provide a wide range of tailored support, when needed, to ensure that the student attends regularly. and is making good academic and social progress.

**College Admin** – This person works in the main admin office, often referred to as “Student Services” and will be the person who you will speak to on the phone if you have a concern or need to pass on any information. The College Admin for your College will get to know you very quickly and they are also available throughout the day to support the students. This could be printing a new timetable, allocating uniform, or contacting home if there are any issues, concerns or illnesses etc.

**College Tutor** – This is the person your son/daughter registers with every day and is the first port of call for any issues that happen. A form group consists of approximately 28 students from years 7-10. Older students, in the group, are expected to take a nurturing role to support their new form members as they transition into Secondary School.

### COLLEGE TULL

I am delighted to inform you that **Name** has been placed in College **TULL**. I have included the information on the key staff within this College below for your reference. College group and the name of their Tutor has also been included directly below.



Form Group = **Form**  
Form Tutor = **Tutor**

College bases for Tull are in the faculty of Science (B Block Ground and First Floor). This College is the home of Science. You will have form time every morning between 8:30am and 8:55am.

**Tull College Leader**  
**Mr Parfitt**



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**Tull Assistant College Leader**  
**Mrs Brocklebank**



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## Website (Updates)

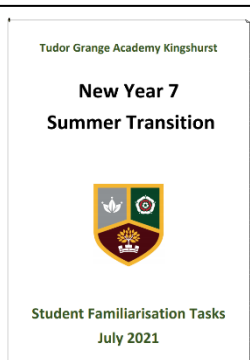
<https://www.kingshurst.tgacademy.org.uk/parents/transition/>

Please continue to check the website for the latest updates. We have recently added Mr Parfitt's New Year 7 Parents Information video and the Student Summer Familiarisation Tasks/booklet.

## Student Familiarisation and Orientation

### Student Familiarisation Grid

Included with this Newsletter is a series of tasks for students to complete over the summer, with your help, to familiarise themselves better with their new College group and school in general.



**Tasks Include** - Transition Learning Grid (9Tasks)

- Producing a pen portrait of themselves for their new form tutor.
- Map Orientation Puzzle
- Researching their College Icon.
- Reading the first chapter of "Treasure Island", which is a book students will be studying in year 7.
- Composing a creative piece of writing based on a pirate's journey to find treasure on a desert Island.
- Completing the 12 x 12 Multiplication Maths Challenge Grid – What's your fastest time?

### Student Task – Getting around the place

A lot of the students have expressed concerns about getting lost around the academy and have asked if they could have a map so they can find their way around the place before starting in September.

However, we have done one better than this, by creating a puzzle for them to solve. However, they will need to use their investigative and map skills to be able to do this.

This puzzle is included in your pack with this Newsletter, along with the maps of the site for each block and floor, for you to study with your son/daughter. Can you find the 10 Letter Word? 😊 (Give this word to your tutor in September to earn your first College points)

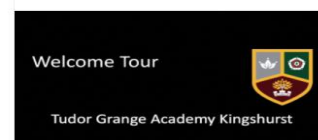
Do not forget we also have the Virtual Tour Videos on the Academy Transition Website.

Virtual Tour (Google Maps Style)



This tour allows you to select the rooms and blocks to have a self-guided "Google Map" style tour around the school.

Virtual Tour Video



This is a virtual tour of the blocks and includes a welcome from the college leaders and other senior members of staff at the school as you are guided around the academy

## Uniform update (PB Sports- Online Click and Collect Service)



From 1st July 2021 PB Sports will only be accepting online orders for School uniform. The 'Click and Collect' will be in operation until mid-September. When orders are placed a notification will be sent by text or email as soon as the order is ready to collect. If there are any problems with sizes, there will be no problem exchanging items as needed. Most uniform items are in stock, and turnaround of orders is usually within a day or two at most. **Please do check the uniform guide before purchasing uniform items.**

**Address: Waterloo Avenue, Chelmsley Wood Industrial Estate, B37 6QQ. Tel: 0121 770 8000.**  
Sports Online Shop - <https://shopify.pbsportonline.co.uk/collections/tudor-grange-academies-trust>

## What do I need to do if I need to contact someone?

If you require any further information about transition and starting the academy, please see a list of the key people below. We look forward to meeting and getting to know you soon and hope your son/daughter thoroughly enjoys their time with us over the next 7 years!

<b>Transition Leader</b>	Mr Lee Parfitt	lparfitt@kingshurst.tgacademy.org.uk
<b>Admission queries</b>	Miss Natalie Grady	ngrady@kingshurst.tgacademy.org.uk
<b>SEND queries</b>	Mrs Andrea Turnbull	aturnbull@kingshurst.tgacademy.org.uk
<b>Medical queries</b>	Miss Jessica Hines	jhines@kingshurst.tgacademy.org.uk
<b>School Admin Office</b>	0121 329 8300	office@kingshurst.tgacademy.org.uk

### Welcome Pack Documents

If you have not returned your welcome pack forms, which include personal details, medical, biometric, video, and photographic consents, please do so ASAP in the pre-paid envelope that was included with the pack.

If you have misplaced or mislaid these documents, please email Miss Grady for another pack ([ngrady@kingshurst.tgacademy.org.uk](mailto:ngrady@kingshurst.tgacademy.org.uk)).

### Principal's Welcome

Have you watched the Principals' welcome video yet?

If not see the link below

<https://www.kingshurst.tgacademy.org.uk/parents/transition/>

