May 2020

**Year 6 Transition**

Dear Parent/Carer,

We hope you and your family are safe and well in these challenging times, and that your child is excited about joining us at Ark Alexandra.

Enclosed you will find a transition booklet with lots of information about being a student at Ark Alexandra, including key staff to know, term dates and the school day, equipment list, uniform list, ways to travel to school, reading ideas, ways to stay healthy, and a welcome from the lower school Head Boy and Head Girl.

We are committed to delivering a transition process that is minimally impacted by the current school closures (details below). Although some of our planned events cannot now take place in person, they will all still happen virtually. Your child will meet their Tutor and Head of Year later this term and go on a virtual tour of the Helenswood campus.

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<td>Virtual welcome evening with presentations from the Principal, Transition Lead and Head of Year, this will include a virtual tour of the campus (details to follow)</td>
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It is uncertain whether the Transition Days currently scheduled for the 1st – 3rd of July will now take place. As we receive further government guidance about the reopening of schools and transition visits, we will send you updated information.

If you have not yet returned your application form, please do so as soon as possible as the school is oversubscribed. If you have any questions about the form or accepting your child’s place, please email Lisa Jenkins, l.jenkins@arkalexandra.org.

If you have any general questions about the transition process, please visit the FAQ section of our website. If the answer is not there, please email year6transition@arkalexandra.org.

We very much look forward to meeting you and your child virtually in June.

Yours sincerely,

Ms V Cockram
Regional Associate Principal