

Friday 15th July 2022

Dear Parents and Carers of Year 6 students who are joining us in September,

It was wonderful to meet many of you last week, and a delight to spend the day getting to know your child. We thought it would be helpful to remind you of some key information and important dates that are coming up.

Thank you to all those who attended Transition Evening. We were glad to hear that many of you found this very informative and hopefully we managed to answer a lot of your questions. We do appreciate however, that a lot of information was shared in our presentation, therefore we have attached a summary of the presentation with this letter.

### **Optional music tuition**

Attached to this letter you will also find a form to complete and return to us by September if you would like to pay for your child to have additional music/voice lessons. We have talented music tutors who come in and provide tuition on a wide variety of instruments and voice. These are very popular so please complete and return the form as quickly as possible to [admissions@chelsea-academy.org](mailto:admissions@chelsea-academy.org) to avoid disappointment.

### **Summer School**

We are delighted to see a large number of students have already signed up for Summer School which will be taking place from 25th - 29th July. We have decided to extend the deadline to sign up for summer school until Friday 22nd July as we would love as many students as possible to attend this exciting week which forms a large part of our transition process. There is no charge for Summer School. Please [click here](#) to secure your child's place in this year's summer school.

### **Sept dates incl CATs tests:**

On Saturday 17th September Year 7 students will be sitting cognitive abilities tests (CATs). Students should arrive at the student entrance by 9.00 am and may wear their own clothes. They should bring a bottle of water. Pencils will be provided. The session will finish at midday - we will provide refreshments to students during a mid session break.

We run these assessments as they allow us to gain information about each student's skills with regard to reading, comprehension and reasoning and allow us to identify the strengths and areas for development of each student which is essential for successful learning and progress. The assessments are not used to set or stream students - all classes are mixed ability throughout years 7 and 8. The information we gain allows us to assess and report on the progress made by students throughout Key Stages 3 and 4 so they can reach their full potential.

Students are not expected to do any specific preparation or revision for these assessments and we will brief the students on these assessments when they start with us in September.

The Learning Coach Consultation Day (LCCD) on Tuesday 6th September will only require your child (and you) to be at the Academy for a short appointment slot. Further details of this day will be shared with you in due course.

**Reminder of uniform**

Please ensure that your child has the full correct uniform for their first day - Monday 5th September. Please note that trainers are not part of our Uniform policy and students must be in leather/ leather look 'school shoes'.

**Twitter/ website**

Our Twitter feed (streamed through our website: [www.chelsea-academy.org](http://www.chelsea-academy.org)) is an excellent way to see what we are up to and is often used to convey important messages. Our Twitter handle is @chelseaacademy

I hope you have a lovely summer and very much look forward to meeting you again in September.

Yours faithfully,



Mariella Ardron  
Principal