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Dear Parents and Carers,

We are writing to share further details with you about your child's transition to Corby Business Academy in these unusual times. Here at the Academy, we recognise that the more information we can provide for students, parents and carers, the smoother and less stressful the transition process will be.

As such, we are delighted to share with you the creation of an area on our Academy website, dedicated to Year 6 to 7 transition. This can be found using the link below:

<https://bit.ly/y6to7transition>

In this area, you will have access to a video where your child will be introduced to key members of staff involved with Year 7 and be taken on a tour of the Academy. A copy of our Transition booklet will also be available for you to read.

On a weekly basis, a newsletter will be uploaded, detailing the various transition activities that are planned as well as a recorded 'Episode' from Mr Hallam, Head of Year 7. Dates and details of the content covered in each episode are below:

Episode 1 – Friday 26th June

Welcome, uniform, classroom expectations, whole school behaviour policy (sweets and chewing gum), Head of Year introduction, tutor profiles and FAQs.

Episode 2 – Thursday 2nd July

Use of school buses, break and lunchtime expectations, mobile phones and social media, tutor profiles and FAQs.

Episode 3 – Thursday 9th July

Equipment, lockers, PE kit, movement around school, tutor time and being part of a tutor group, tutor profiles and FAQs.

Final Episode – Thursday 16th July

Session 6 activities, smart cards (WisePay), tutor profiles and the Academy day.

Here at the Academy, we realise that it's valuable to hear from the student in their own words and as such, please encourage your child to complete the student questionnaire, no later than 3rd July 2020 by clicking here: [CBA Student Questionnaire](#)

As part of this questionnaire, students are able to select the names of two people they work well with and we will try to keep them with someone they know in their tutor group. Following the release of the final newsletter and episode, you will receive an email informing you of which tutor group your child has been placed in.

Corby Business Academy Big Read

I am also delighted to launch 'The Corby Business Academy Big Read'. In conjunction with The Literacy Trust, Bloomsbury Books have published 'The Book of Hopes: Words and Pictures to Comfort, Inspire and Entertain Children in Lockdown'. It is a fantastic collection of short stories, poems, essays and pictures with contributions from more than 110 top children's writers and illustrators, including Lauren Child, Anthony Horowitz, Greg James and Chris Smith, Michael Morpurgo, Liz Pichon, Axel Scheffler, Francesca Simon and Jacqueline Wilson.

'The Book of Hopes' is currently available to read online for FREE and will be published in hardcopy in the autumn. It can be accessed [here](#).

Accompanying the book, our librarian Amy McKay has produced a booklet of activities for students to engage in over the summer as well as recommending other books written by the featured authors. We are planning to share videos of key members of staff reading extracts from the book.

We continue to finalise other aspects of our transition process and will share details of these in due course.

If you have any queries about any of this information, please do not hesitate to contact me via email:
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Yours sincerely



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