



May 2017

Dear Parents/Carers

As promised, I write with further details about your child's joining us at Finham Park 2 and some important requests for information from you.

New Year 7 Parents' Afternoon

We would like to invite you to have tea and cakes with us at Finham Park 2, on **Thursday 22 June**, to give you the opportunity to speak with Mr Plester, Headteacher and meet the Finham Park 2 staff. Please see attached letter for further details.

Daytime Visit by New Students

All new Year 7 students will be attending an induction day on **Wednesday, 5 July from 8:40am until 3:15pm.**

Students will need:

- To bring a packed lunch, or alternatively money for use of the canteen facilities (£3.00 would be sufficient). Once they start school in September they will then use our cashless system.
- To wear appropriate clothing as school uniform is *not required* for the day's visit.
- To bring a pen, pencil and notebook with them.

Evening Meeting for Parents of New Year 7 students

At **6:30pm on 5 July** we would like to invite you to a meeting for all new Year 7 parents in The Refectory. This will be another opportunity to meet the Leadership Team as well as teaching staff and to share important information with you. Your son/daughter does not need to attend this meeting as they will have received all the information they require during the day.

Modern Foreign Language Classes

In Modern Foreign Languages we offer French, Spanish and Mandarin (we are fortunate to have been accepted by the Department For Education as a Mandarin Excellence School supported and led by teachers at Finham Park). One half of the year group studies Spanish and the other half, French or Mandarin. Both French and Spanish have the same amount of teaching time, with Mandarin having 3 extra hours of lessons. Your child will be allocated to one of these languages. If you have a particular preference for either French or Spanish, you are requested to put this in writing to Mrs L Rose, by Friday, 26 May, outlining the reasons for this preference and we will endeavour to meet such requests as far as possible. A further letter will be sent to parents regarding the Mandarin Excellence Programme to explain this opportunity in more detail.

Road Safety

Coventry's Road Safety Officer has asked us to remind you of her particular concerns with Year 6 groups and road safety in relation to transfer to secondary schools. We would ask you to assist us by helping your child to plan a safe route to school and by reminding your child of the usual road safety rules.



School Uniform

We have attached to this letter a copy of the school's requirements on uniform and ask for your support with this.

Information to help us

Please could you complete and return to us the three sheets which accompany this letter:

- 1 **New Parents' Return Sheet** : Please could you confirm:
 - (i) your attendance to the New Parents' Afternoon Tea on Thursday 22 June;
 - (ii) your attendance to the New Parents' Evening on 5 July;
 - (iii) whether or not your child currently takes instrumental lessons at school and wishes to continue with these when (s)he come to Finham Park 2;
 - (iv) if your child does not currently take instrumental lessons at primary school but you would like him/her to start lessons on an instrument at Finham Park 2.
- 2 **Student Confidential Information Form** : To ensure that we are able to keep accurate records please complete the attached Student Confidential Information Sheet, including your mobile phone number and e-mail address.
- 3 **Consent for the use of images in school** : To enable us to photograph or make recordings of your child, a record of your permission being granted is required, in accordance with the Data Protection Act 1998. Please sign and delete as appropriate.

THESE FORMS SHOULD BE RETURNED TO US **AS SOON AS POSSIBLE** AND NO LATER THAN **BY FRIDAY, 26 MAY**.

Many thanks for your support.

We look forward to meeting you in the next few weeks.

Yours sincerely

Russell Plester, Headteacher



PLEASE RETURN BY HAND OR BY POST TO **MRS L ROSE** c/o
FINHAM PARK 2 AS SOON AS POSSIBLE AND NO LATER THAN
BY FRIDAY, 26 MAY 2017

Student's Name :

Primary School :

1. New Year 7 Parents' Afternoon Tea– Thursday, 22 June 2017

I/We* will/will not* be attending the visit on Thursday 22 June, 3.30-5pm.

(* please delete as applicable)

2. Evening Meeting for New Parents: Wednesday, 5 July 2017

I/We* will/will not* be attending the meeting on 5 July.

(* please delete as applicable)

3. Instrumental Lessons

Either

My child presently has instrumental lessons on the (name of instrument) and I wish these to continue at Finham Park 2.

Or

I would like my child to begin instrumental lessons on the (name of instrument) when he/she joins Finham Park 2. (Parents completing this will be sent an information pack by our Music Administrator)

Signed (parent/ carer).....

Date



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Dear Parents/ Carers

NEW YEAR 7 PARENTS AFTERNOON TEA - THURSDAY 22 JUNE 2017

Staff and governors of Finham Park 2 would like to invite you to join us for tea and cake at Finham Park 2, Torrington Avenue on 22 June 2017 3.30- 5pm. This will enable you to meet our staff, to meet other new parents and for the children to meet each other.

Mrs Brake (Deputy Headteacher) and I will also be there, not only to eat some cake and join in the fun, but to help with any questions you may have and hopefully be able to alleviate any concerns your child, or indeed you may have about the transition into secondary school.

Parking will be available on site and staff will be on hand to give you directions in school.

Please confirm your attendance by completing and returning the 'New Parents Reply Sheet' to Mrs Lesley Rose at Finham Park 2 by **Friday, 26 May 2017**.

Yours sincerely

Russell Plester, Headteacher