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Dear Parents/Carers

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## Pupils Transferring to Ossett Academy in September 2020

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I hope this letter finds you all safe and well.

**Principal:** Mrs Samantha Broome

Here at Ossett Academy, we are excited at the prospect of welcoming our new Year 7 pupils in September and in the meantime, I wanted to take the opportunity to keep you updated on plans and also ask for your co-operation in providing us with some key pieces of information.

### Virtual Transition Information

On 14 May the Government updated planning for primary schools and stated that visits to secondary schools for induction **would not** take place this year.

Therefore, as an Academy we decided to undertake remote induction sessions for pupils and have been working with our partner primary schools to ensure Year 6 pupils' transition through virtual means.

We have a variety of virtual sessions planned and we are pleased to say that the first two sessions will be available via our website and social media over the next two weeks.

The first of these sessions is a virtual tour where you and your child will be able to see the important places in our Academy. The second session is a 'Talking Heads' video which will have different members of staff at the Academy giving you information around what your child will learn about in Year 7, and the different areas of support we have for all pupils.

Please look out for these on our social media platforms and also our Academy website;

<https://ossett.accomat.org/year-6-transition/>

Moving forward we have further virtual activities and sessions planned including a virtual welcome evening for parents and carers, and a transition project for pupils. We will write to you again early in July with information about this evening, further details of the project and also which form group your child will be in when they start with us in Year 7.

You may be aware the Government announced that additional face-to-face contact may take place in schools, where it would be beneficial, as long as this happens in line with the guidance around protective measures and the numbers of pupils permitted on a secondary site at any one time.

Therefore, we are currently keeping the possibility of any on-site transition under review alongside the virtual activities mentioned above. Although at this stage it remains unlikely that we will be able to welcome all Year 6 pupils on to our Academy site before the summer, we are planning an extended transition period for September for the new Year 7 pupils, and will send you more details about this before the end of term.

### Up-to-date Contact Information

As we move towards September, we need to ensure we have the most up to date information about you and your child, so that we can begin to contact you directly, rather than through your primary school.

In previous years, we have asked parents to complete a paper admission form. This year, this form is available to complete electronically here: <https://bit.ly/ossettadmission>

The QR code below will also take you straight to the form from your mobile phone:



If you have any problems in completing the form or if you have any questions at this stage please refer to our *Transition Frequently Asked Questions* (FAQs) webpage <https://ossett.accordmat.org/transition-faqs/> or contact [enquiries@ossett.accordmat.org](mailto:enquiries@ossett.accordmat.org).

In conclusion can I take this opportunity to thank you for your continued patience and support, whilst the circumstances are not what we would have hoped for, we will do all that we can to ensure the best possible transition process for our Year 7 pupils.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'J. Usherwood', written in a cursive style.

Mr J Usherwood  
Transition Leader