



Year 6 Transition



Newsletter 1

5th March 2021

Dear Year 6 (and your parents/carers)

Firstly – a massive welcome to our Caedmon College Whitby community. We are so pleased that so many of you have chosen to join us in September 2021 – 130 (and counting!) of you. I am sure you'll make as good a start as your friends in the current Year 7 did when they joined us last September.

I know that many of you have been attending school either full time or part time during this recent lockdown, whilst others have been working from home. At Caedmon we use Google for lots of our work; Google Classroom for teachers to post work and for students to hand in their assignments; Google Meet to run live video lessons; Google Drive to save our files so that we can pick them up at home or collaborate with other people; and Gmail to send messages - I often receive over 100 per day! I know from speaking to your primary headteachers that you have all been using Google or something similar over the last year. I think you are going to be *THE* best prepared and technologically savvy year group ever to have started at Caedmon. I am sure you will be teaching us a thing or two by October!

Talking of Google, we will shortly set you all up with a CCW email account, from which you will be able to access our '2021 Year 6 Transition Google Classroom'. As we move into the spring and summer months, we will start posting some things for you to complete to help you get ready for September. Hopefully, if the recent good news about the coronavirus and the vaccines continues, we will be able to welcome you all onto our Normanby site for lots of transition activities. We *really* hope that this can happen – it is always one of the highlights of our year!

We want you to feel part of our school community right from now ... so here's a few things you can get involved in.



You will have heard of the 'Masked Singer' but here at Caedmon we have the 'Masked Reader'. As part of World Book Day celebrations earlier this week, our English teachers have launched a competition in which students must guess lots of hidden readers from amongst our staff. Obviously you would not be able to answer just yet, but why not get involved by sending us a photo of yourself with your favourite book masking your face. Send the photos to me and let's see if you can break my '200 email a day' record on Monday! Don't forget to tell me your name and primary school.

Or perhaps you like baking? We LOVE a charity cake sale here at Caedmon! Why not enter our *Spring Baking Challenge*. The theme is 'Thank You' because, of course, we have so many people to thank for helping us during this latest lockdown – parents, teachers, NHS and care home workers, and all of the other people who've kept the country running. Send us a photo of your cake (before you eat it!) to repro@ccwhitby.org and don't forget to include your name and primary school. The closing date is Sunday 14th March.

I'll write again very soon with more transition information for you and your parents.

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**Caedmon College Whitby
& Whitby Sixth Form
Spring Baking Challenge**

We're really missing our regular bake sales in school and thought it's about time that we encouraged you* to get your mixing bowls and cake ingredients out of the cupboard.

After a difficult few months for us all there are so many people we need to thank – our parents and families, our friends, our teachers and, of course, all those who work in the NHS, care homes and in the key jobs that have kept the country running over the winter.

So - your challenge is a simple one – bake a "Thank You" cake for all of these people. Before you enjoy eating it with your family, send us a photo to repro@ccwhitby.org and tell us who you'd particularly like to thank for the help and support you've received in the last few months. Don't forget to tell us your name and year group when emailing your photo.

Closing date is Sunday 14th March.

Ready, Steady ... BAKE!

*Make sure you ask permission at home first!