

INFORMATION FOR PARENTS/CARERS

1. Induction Evening

Parents and students are invited to the Induction Evening on Monday 16th July 2018 at 5.45pm. A short talk will be delivered at 6.00pm, and the remainder of the time will provide you with an opportunity to meet some of the staff who will be involved in supporting your child at Dyke House College. The Senior Leadership Team will also be available on the evening to discuss any specific issues you may have, as well as Mrs Dunston (SEN co-ordinator).

2. Induction Weeks

The induction fortnight will be from Monday 9th July to Friday 20th July, 8.00am-2.30pm. The two weeks provide an opportunity for your child to meet the students they will be sharing their education with, to get to know the academy layout and to experience some lessons to understand what learning at Dyke House is all about.

- Students should wear the school uniform of their current primary school.
- Students should bring either a packed lunch or money to purchase a school dinner. A main meal costs £1.80. If your child would like a school dinner, can you please ensure they bring the £9.50 on the Monday for the rest of the week. If your child receives free school meals, then they will receive free school meals during these weeks.
- It would be helpful if students bring with them a small pencil case with a pen, pencil and ruler.
- Students will need an appropriate PE kit.
- On the first Induction Day, students will be placed in their Learning Guide groups. A great deal of time and care is taken to ensure that these groups represent a balanced profile of students. Students may not be placed with their friends from primary school and there are a number of students in the 2018 cohort who are coming on their own from schools so the main purpose of the first Induction Day is that students will have made a whole class of new friends by the end of that day. If you have any safeguarding concerns about your child and their groups, please contact Mr Palmer at the academy.
- For the two weeks of transition, if your child lives in excess of two miles from the academy, they may be eligible to access the home - academy transport provision provided by Dyke House. If less than 2 miles but not along a safe route, they may also be eligible for academy transport. During the two weeks of transition there will be no charge made for this service. The details of transport eligibility will be provided prior to the start of transition. However, if you feel you are eligible and do not want to take up the offer or need any other details then can you please contact Mr Maddison on 01429 266377. Please refer to the transport information provided in the induction pack.

3. College website, Social Media and Key Policies

On the Dyke House College website (www.dykehousecollege.com) you will also find useful information about term dates and the policies that your child will be expected to adhere to once they start at Dyke House. We have enclosed a brief overview of the policies in the induction pack. Full copies of all policies are available on the College's website. Please also follow Dyke House on Twitter (@DykeHouse) or Facebook (@DykeHouseCollege) for key events and news.

4. Email and Text Communication

The college now communicates with parents electronically, either by email or text message. Please remember to inform us of any change in mobile phone number or email address, to ensure you can continue to receive communications we send in this way. Parents who do not have access to either a mobile phone or email will still be able to elect to receive relevant communications in the form of letters home, sent via their child

