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Dear Parents of Year 6 Pupils

Arrangements for Year 6 Summer Term 2020

The previously proposed arrangements for Year 6 to have a full transition to their secondary schools from the 29th June have now changed. Year 6 will remain the full responsibility of their primary schools, including both their learning and safeguarding until the end of the term. Most secondary schools will be offering some opportunities for familiarisation activities and they will communicate the arrangements to parents and the primary schools. The majority of secondary schools are committed to supporting the use of the 'Wonder' text and will provide this for their pupils. The CLL team are offering materials for primary schools to deliver learning during the last few weeks of term.

Several reasons have resulted in this revised arrangement.

Firstly, the Secretary of State for Education stated that the Government is no longer insisting that primary schools should welcome more children from year groups that had not already been invited back, namely year groups 2,3,4 and 5.

Secondly, through further discussions with the secondary schools it became clear that there was not going to be a consistent offer across the City and for many Year 6's this would mean that they would be expected to spend the majority of time learning at home with limited support and attendance at the secondary school. As a result of this many primary Headteachers were concerned for the safety and well-being of the children if they were not going to be in a school.

Our principles have put safety first, we knew we would have to be flexible and make changes in response to government guidance. We realise this may mean some re-organisation of plans for primary schools but we believe this change in approach is necessary.

Yours sincerely

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Headteacher

