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ST IVES SCHOOL

Every Child, Inspiring Learning, Every Day

Wednesday 2nd March 2022

Dear Parents / Carers

Welcome to St Ives School! We are delighted your child has a place with us for September 2022 and we are looking forward to working with your family over the next few months to ensure that your child makes a smooth transition from Primary to Secondary Education and a flying start in September.

We are regular visitors to our local feeder primary schools to meet the children and work with them in familiar surroundings. We have a dedicated transition team, led by our Head of Lower School, Mr Stevens. This team will be leading our Transition Days on Tuesday 6th and Wednesday 7th July to which **all** new Year 7 students are invited. These days are followed by a Welcome Evening for all parents and children on Wednesday 7th July, we will update you on the timings of the evening during the Summer Term.

For students with Special Educational Needs we personalise the transition process to ensure your child is confident and happy about the move to secondary education. Our SENDCO, Mrs Wright, will contact you to discuss your child's needs. Alternatively, please contact Mrs Wright on jwright@st-ives.cornwall.sch.uk.

To ensure we have the information we need to support your child making a flying start to secondary school, we ask our partner primary schools to provide us with their Maths and English books (or equivalents) at the end of the Summer Term. This helps our teachers to see the level each child is working at, their strengths and next steps in learning; this is very valuable additional information alongside their assessment results. All books are returned to students (or their primary school) at the end of October as we know that many families like to keep these as souvenirs of their time in primary school.

Further information about the Transition Days in July and about other opportunities for children to visit the school will be provided nearer the time and will also be available on our school website. If you would like information about the school, our ethos, policies, uniform or term dates, please have a look at our website, www.st-ives.cornwall.sch.uk. If you would like to talk to a member of staff about your child's transition, or if you have any questions about our school, please don't hesitate to contact our Reception on 01736 795608 or email Mr Stevens on sstevens@st-ives.cornwall.sch.uk.

We look forward to meeting you and your child soon and to welcoming you to St Ives School.

Yours faithfully

Mr J Butterworth
Head of School

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Head of School: Mr J Butterworth MEd

