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Principal ~ Mr Andy Smith

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Dear Parent/Carer,

The end of term for year 10 is always an exciting time as they complete their first set of mocks, have their first taste of work experience and prepare to move into the final stage of their GCSE preparation. When they return after the summer, year 11 will be educated at our Sherwood Rise site which is where they take their final exams. It is also the same site as our sixth form, so they have many opportunities to get the careers guidance and support they need to prepare for their Post 16 education whether they choose to stay at DCA or move on.

In order to prepare the scholars for this transition we are giving them a morning's transition on Friday 3rd July. They will arrive at Sherwood Rise at normal time and enter through the gate by the theatre at the front of the school. Mr Davies will greet them alongside the rest of the year 11 team and guide them to where they will line up each morning during year 11. The scholars will then be offered some guidance around the expectations at Sherwood Rise and will have some lessons which will help them understand the demands of year 11 and the way to navigate the building which has changed somewhat since they were there in year 7.

The day will run as usual and scholars will be dismissed at 12.30 from Sherwood Rise. They will of course be able to choose to stay for lunch should they wish to.

The following week is work experience and Mr McCafferty will have shared more information about this with you. After work experience year 10 will continue at Gregory Boulevard for the final two weeks of term.

Yours sincerely

Katie Newton

Vice Principal