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For the attention of: Parents of Year 6 pupils due to start September 2020

Dear Parent(s) / Guardian

I wanted to take this opportunity to send my congratulations to you and your child on receiving a place at St Martin's School in September. We are very much looking forward to working together and we are sure that you will enjoy everything that we have to offer.

St Martin's is more than just a school; it is a community, and during this difficult time we are doing everything we can to support our current pupils in their learning and well-being. We recognise that moving from primary to secondary school is a daunting experience at any time but this year, more so than ever. We want you to know that you have not been forgotten and that we are working behind the scenes to ensure that you receive a good transition experience before your formal start at St Martin's. We are in contact with your current primary school and your individual teachers gathering information to support your move. As government advice is constantly evolving, we are unable to provide any specific information at this time but as we gain further clarity we will communicate this to you.

In order for us to plan for a smooth start, we have enclosed a new starter form to be completed and returned to the school's admin team. This will allow us to input all of your child's important information onto our school system. We have also enclosed a school uniform list. Uniforms can be ordered from our online school shop and will be held for you for when school reopens. Alternatively, you can order these from YC Sports Cardiff when trading resumes.

We recognise the difficulties in home schooling children, along with the pressures of caring for loved ones while many of us are also balancing working from home. Please rest assured that we are all in the same position. When we return to school your children's learning will resume as they are led by our dedicated team of teachers. No child will be left behind. In the interim, I am sure that your school is offering a range of resources. However, as we are sure you have realised, learning can happen in many forms: a day of Lego, planting seeds or a family walk can provide a moment of learning, while most importantly providing enjoyment and reassurance in an uncertain world.

We thank you for all that you are doing and we will be in touch with further information in the near future. In the meantime, Stay home. Stay safe.

Kind regards,

Mr L Jarvis
Headteacher

Mrs L Weston
Assistant Headteacher

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