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Dear Parent/Carer

Transition to Ross High School

I hope you are all well and coping with this unusual and difficult situation we find ourselves in. I realise this may be particularly unsettling for your families, as the timing has coincided with your son or daughter's transition to Secondary School.

I just wanted to write to you, to reassure you all, that we are working extremely closely with our associated Primary Schools to ensure we have a robust and supportive plan in place for transition. At this stage, we have no details on how and when schools will reopen. When this information emerges, we will work as a team of schools to plan our transition arrangements. I can assure you that planning for the new S1 cohort at RHS is a main priority for us. Ross High School prides itself on being a caring community. Our mission statement 'Excellence for Everyone' shows clearly that every single child is important to all of us at Ross High. We really care about our students and their families and will work hard to make sure you all receive a warm and well-planned welcome to the school when this is possible.

Each year we have a number of young people who have an enhanced transition. We are currently making arrangements for some of this to happen remotely. Ms Donaldson (Depute Head Teacher with responsibility for Transition) is working on this with her team and phone calls to these children and families are planned to take place in due course.

In the meantime, you may be interested in obtaining some more school information and I have summarised this below

- We have lots of information on our school website www.edubuzz.org/rosshigh/ On here you and your child will be able to see all the things to look forward to when joining the Ross High school community.
- Last year Our Junior Leadership Team made a transition video which you may like to watch https://youtu.be/zH3ANp6g_Y
- We are a school which loves to Tweet! You can follow the school account (@rosshigh) or my Head Teacher account (@MrReynoldsRHSHT) and these will give you an insight into our community. There are many others too with each department having their own Twitter account celebrating the success of our pupils.



Some parents have already been in contact asking questions regarding uniform and how to purchase this. The uniform is plain black skirt or trousers, white shirt, plain black shoes, school tie and blazer. The link to purchase a blazer is on our website in our Parent Zone section. Normally we would have a blazer fitting service but under the current situation this will not be possible I'm afraid. Please note school ties can be purchased from the school office when we re-open.

In early June I will write again with a further update and more information. In the meantime, please do not hesitate to contact us at admin@rosshigh.elcschool.org.uk if you have any questions. I am very much looking forward to meeting you all shortly.

Yours sincerely,

Paul Reynolds
Head Teacher