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## TRANSITION WEEK ARRANGEMENTS Additional Covid Safety Measure

Dear Parent / Carer,

I would like to make you aware of some important date changes that we are making to our school calendar over the next week few weeks prior to breaking up for the summer holidays. During this time of year, we would normally be getting ready for Transition Week – an incredibly important event in school.

We recognise that for many of our children, 'moving up' year groups can cause some worries. During transition week, our children have the opportunity to meet their new teacher, settle into their new classroom and make lots of new friends. During the week we also welcome our new Nursery and Reception children, who come into school for a series of stay and play sessions. Our Year 2 children also have the opportunity to visit their new schools.

Due to current Covid restrictions, we are not able to organise Transition Week in our normal manner as it would mean mixing bubbles throughout school, which is against current government guidance. Therefore, we are making the following arrangements in order to allow children to meet their new teacher and spend time with their new class in the safest way possible:

On Friday, 16<sup>th</sup> July, children will finish in their current classes/bubbles with their current class teacher.

On Monday, 19<sup>th</sup> July, children will form a new class bubble and join their 'September class', spending the final three days in school with their new class teacher.

During the final three days in school, Year 2 children will form a new bubble and join one another in our school hall and take part in a number of special activities to mark and celebrate their time at St Chad's. These activities will be led by Mrs Habib and Mrs Sohanpal.

During the penultimate week in school, all children will take part in a special Teddy Bear's Picnic with their current class. We will also be celebrating our Year 2 Leaver's. Regrettably, due to current restrictions, we will not be able invite parents to these events but we will do as much as possible to share the 'fun times' with you all via Class Dojo.

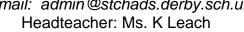
As we will be forming new bubbles from Monday, 19<sup>th</sup> July, if you are wishing to bring in a small present/card for your child's current class teacher then can we kindly request that these are brought into school on Friday, 16<sup>th</sup> July and not the last day of term. This will ensure that we are not mixing once new bubbles have been formed.

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We will be in touch over the coming week to clarify arrangements for each of the individual events, including confirming your child's class teacher for next academic year (current Nursery, Reception and Year 1 only). For now, we wanted to give you all as much notice as possible to 'save the dates' in your own personal calendars and diaries.

We are looking forward to settling our children into the next phase of their school adventures, bidding a fond farewell to our Year 2 children and welcoming our new Nursery and Reception families and children into our school family over the coming weeks ahead.

Kind regards,

Ms. K Leach Headteacher



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