



**Connaught**  
Junior School  
"Caring, Confident, Committed"

Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> June 2020

Dear Year 2 Parents and Carers,

I hope you are all well and that your families are keeping safe during this difficult time.

Under these exceptional circumstances, we want to ensure the smooth transition of your children from their infant schools to Connaught Junior School and reduce any anxiety or nervousness that you or your children might have. There are a number of things that we are putting in place between now and the end of the year to encourage this and give you the information that you will need to welcome you as new families to our school. At this stage, we don't know if an on-site transition day is going to be possible. In light of this, we have decided to be proactive and create some resources that will help you and your child become better acquainted with Connaught Junior School.

The first thing that we have produced is a video welcoming your children to the school, introducing them to key staff, and giving them a virtual tour of the school. Please find it in the new **Year 3 Transition** page on our website <https://www.connaughtjuniorschool.co.uk/page/?title=Year+3+Transition&pid=108> This page will also be home to any future videos and information. We hope that you and your children find this video informative and that it begins to familiarise them with the school setting.

Under normal circumstances we would hold a new parents forum where we would invite you all into the main hall to give you information on our school and answer any questions that you might have. Sadly, this is something that we feel we will be unable to offer this year so instead we will produce a video to be released later this month detailing everything that you will need to know as a new parent. We appreciate that the Q&A section of this forum is very important and would like to offer you the opportunity to submit any questions to us beforehand to the email address [transition@cjs.tamat.org.uk](mailto:transition@cjs.tamat.org.uk) Please do make it clear that this is a question for the parent presentation.

We also understand that your children will have many, many questions about life at Connaught Junior School. If your child does have anything that they would like answered, please could you also submit their question to the same email address [transition@cjs.tamat.org.uk](mailto:transition@cjs.tamat.org.uk) The year 3 teaching team will then produce a separate video where we will answer all of the children's questions and let the children familiarise themselves with the faces of the new teaching team. Please provide your child's name and state that the question is for the children's video.

Could questions for both videos please be submitted by Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> June.

We imagine that you and your children are eager to find out which class they will be in, who their teacher will be and which other children they will be with. We plan on letting you know this information on Tuesday

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30<sup>th</sup> June where your child will receive a video from their teacher welcoming them into the class. This is also when you find out which house your child will be in which will enable you to purchase their school tie and PE kit.

We continue to believe that it would be best for our new children to visit the school prior to starting the term in September; however, given the current guidance on reducing the number of children in schools, it still remains unclear whether this is possible. We will continue to keep you updated on whether this is something we are able to do and please rest assured that if this is not feasible, we will make changes to our normal start in September to make their first day as welcoming and anxiety-free as possible.

We hope you and your children are excited about the move to Connaught Junior School. We are definitely excited to welcome them.

Yours faithfully,

Mr Stevens

Head of Year 3

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