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Dear parent/carer

We hope that this letter finds you and your family both healthy and safe during these difficult times. We are delighted that you have chosen East Leake Academy (ELA) as your child's secondary school and look forward to welcoming them into our community in September.

This time of year would normally be the point at which year 6 students have the opportunity to visit the academy, meet key staff and have taster lessons delivered by subject staff. Furthermore, we would normally have additional transition activities for students with additional needs. Unfortunately, due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic it will not be possible to run these physical transition processes in the way we normally would.

With this in mind, we have been working closely with our feeder primary schools to plan alternative transition processes which will initially take place virtually. We are confident that students will find our virtual transition programme helpful, and that it will support them to have a smooth start at ELA.

We are still hoping that a limited number of physical transition activities including visits and meetings may still be able to take place before September on a priority basis for students with additional needs. We will work with primary schools and families to plan more bespoke transitions on a case by case basis.

Mrs C Baxter, our transition leader will be providing further details about our virtual transition process over the coming weeks and will hopefully be able to visit different primary schools to meet students and welcome them to our academy.

Yours sincerely

Mr B Francis
Principal

Mrs C Baxter
Transition Leader

