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Dear Parent/Carer,

P7 TRANSITION- FINAL TERM ARRANGEMENTS

This term will be a memorable one for your child as they spend their final weeks at Primary School, and of course look forward to their future in The Robert Burns Academy. I would like to share with you some of the key milestones for your child before they join us in S1.

What has happened so far? (Oct 23- Mar 24)

Teaching staff from The Robert Burns Academy have already made several visits to P7 classrooms to discuss the transition to secondary school. This involves learning about the young people as individuals, as well as exploring their excitement and worries about moving to secondary school. During this time we have also met parents and carers of pupils with additional support needs to discuss the supports required to assist them with their learning. We also recognise that some pupils require an 'enhanced transition' experience, this group benefits from additional visits to our campus to meet with some of the young people from other schools who will be joining them in S1.

What will happen next?

We have begun the process of organising the S1 classes in preparation for the June induction days. I have asked your child's school to issue a form that we require, indicating any medical conditions or siblings that they may have who are already in our school. I would appreciate it if you could return this to your child's school as soon as possible. We will share the details of the new classes with P7 teachers on the 6th June in advance of the two induction days.

P7 Information Evening- Wednesday 5th June 6.30-8.00pm

Prior to the June induction days, we have our information evening for P7 parents and carers. We encourage all parents and carers who have a child joining us next year to attend. We anticipate that this evening will be very busy and politely request that only parents and their child attend this event. I would appreciate it if you would use the QR code below to complete a short Glow form confirming your attendance.

The evening will start with a presentation in Barony Hall. This presentation will cover the timeline of the transition process for this year, including what will happen during the two induction days in June. There will also be information on the S1 curriculum and how to stay in touch with the school, including key contacts for you and your child. Handouts will be available, which will include answers to frequently asked questions as well as links to our online platforms.

When the presentation concludes you will be given the opportunity to explore the school building, some of our pupils and members of staff will be on hand to give more details regarding their subject area and assist you in finding your way around the building.

In addition to this, many of our partners who offer supports in school, and to the local community, will also be on hand to discuss some of the work they do.

If your child will be attending the Supported Learning Centre (SLC) next year then you should attend the main presentation in Barony Hall before being accompanied to the SLC where staff will be able to show you the facilities.

Induction Days- Tuesday 11th and Wednesday 12th June

We look forward to welcoming our new S1 to the school for a two day 'induction' on Tuesday 11th and Wednesday 12th June. Your child's primary school will share the transport arrangements for the days with you nearer the time. The purpose of these days is to allow our new S1 to meet their new schoolmates and teachers, while experiencing some of the learning activities from the S1 curriculum. I will write to you in advance, to outline the finer details of the programme for both days. P7 classes will also be shown a video made by some of senior students, featuring interviews with many of our staff members and giving them some tips for success before they arrive in June.

I look forward to welcoming our new S1 to the school in June and answering any questions you may have on the 5th June.

Yours Sincerely,



P. McGurn

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