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Transition to Yateley School

Dear Parents.

We hope you had a lovely Easter and the children are settling back well into their daily home learning. As you know, the transition to secondary school is fast approaching and, even though the schools are currently closed to the majority of children, we are still hard at work behind the scenes to ensure this transition is as smooth as possible. An important aspect of this transition is the information that we provide to the secondary schools - not only about learning but also regarding friendships. As we all know, friends are an important part of the settling process within transition and being with friends can help support the children through this time of change.

As part of this process, we would normally speak to the children in school and have them tell us which friends that they would like to be considered to be placed with. Obviously, this does not guarantee that they will be placed with those children but it provides Yateley with as much information as possible in order for them to begin the difficult undertaking of organising the children into houses and groupings. At Yateley School, children are organised into four house teams which are named Darwin (green), Nightingale (red), Pankhurst (yellow) and Wilberforce (blue). Children are automatically placed into the same house team as their siblings. For example, if you have an older sister in Wilberforce then you will also be placed in Wilberforce.

As this year we are unable to do this in school, please could you ask your child to copy, paste and complete the 'Transition Reply Slip' below and return it via the Year 6 email (<u>Year6Learning@westfields-jun.org.uk</u>) before **Wednesday 29**th **April**. They will need to select the names of two friends they would like to be considered to be placed with in Yateley School. It is important to remember that siblings are placed in the same house as this may impact on their decision. For example, if I have an older sister in Wilberforce and a friend of mine has an older brother in Nightingale, then we would not be placed in the same house team so it is recommended that I would write down a different name.

As always, if you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact us and thank you for your ongoing support.

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Yours sincerely,

Mrs Long Class Teacher and Year 6 Team Leader Miss Barrand Class Teacher Miss Creelie Class Teacher

Name of child: ______ Class: ____

1) Friend 1: _____ 2) Friend 2:















