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Dear parent/carer,

## New Entrants' Evening - Thursday 30th June 2022

Welcome to Dane Court Grammar School. We are extremely pleased that your child will be joining us in September, and we hope that you will enjoy being part of our supportive school community.

I am writing to invite you and your child to our New Entrants' Evening which will take place on Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> June at 6.00pm. This is an important opportunity for parents and students to meet key members of staff.

On arrival (car parking will be available on the school site), parents will be directed to the school's Theatre, where I will speak to you about the life of the school and introduce key members of staff and representatives of the Parents' Association. Meanwhile, your child and their peers will meet Mr Alderson, Year Leader. The students will spend time with their mentor in their new mentor group and will have time to take a short tour. It would be a good idea for students to bring the booklet they received during our visit to their school.

After the talk in the Theatre there will be time to look at and discuss displays of school uniform with suppliers, speak to some bus company representatives and purchase a House T-shirt for your child (these will cost £3.50, **payable in cash only** and students will need to wear them on transition day). You will be told your child's mentor group and house by email in advance of New Entrant's Evening. There will also be a second-hand uniform shop run by the Parents Association where various items in good clean condition will be available to purchase by cash or cheque.

We have a strong Parents' Association at Dane Court, which runs events and raises thousands of pounds each year to support the school. Representatives will be based in the reception area on New Entrants' Evening where they will be very happy to welcome you as new members. You are invited to make a voluntary one-off £10 donation to the Association, although all parents are considered members, regardless of contribution. You are warmly invited to become actively involved in Parents' Association events; there are usually ten events each year, and parent volunteers typically help out for an hour or two at one or more events, as they wish.

Please also note that our Transition Day is Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> July this year. Your child will spend the whole day with us, forming new friendships and working on some fun projects. More details about the Transition Day will be emailed to parents in due course.

I look forward to meeting you on 30<sup>th</sup> June.

Yours sincerely

Mr M Jones  
Headteacher