



May 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,

I am delighted to introduce myself as your child's Director of Learning from September. This means that I will be responsible for their academic progress and pastoral care as they join the Marlborough community. I have taken students from Year 7 to Year 11 and overseen the transition process for the last 7 years, so I know well the challenges and triumphs that lie ahead. My goal is to ensure that your child achieves outstanding academic progress (from wherever they are now), whilst having fantastic experiences of school life to enrich their learning.

I appreciate with last year's unprecedented times that have continued into 2021 to a certain degree, school life and family routines for all of us have been different, unsettling and a little difficult at times. I wanted to write to give you reassurance of the plans we will have in place to ensure a smooth transition for the students and indeed yourselves, for the upcoming months ahead. I am confident we will be able to provide a positive and reassuring program for our New Year 7 cohort 2021.

This will also continue into September when the students will join us, and a bespoke Induction Year 7 timetable will be provided for the first week to give all the students plenty of time to settle and adapt into their new learning environment.

Because of current Covid social distancing measures our 'New Year 7 Evening' will take place over two scheduled dates in June. This will be a meeting with myself, Ms Thomson (Headteacher) and the Form Tutors to go through key information about joining our school community.

The two dates will be: (we will send individual letters so you know which date to attend)

Monday 21st June 2021, 6pm – 7:30pm, Sports Hall

Wednesday 23rd June 2021, 6pm – 7:30pm, Sports Hall

Please may only one parent/carer attend with their child. Face Coverings are required (unless you are medically exempt) further communication regarding this will be sent nearer the time due to the ever-changing guidelines we are working from.

The New Year 7 cohort will be 212 students and it will be a 8-form entry. The structure and routines of a school day will be outlined when we meet you in June, to ensure we are relaying the most current and up to date information provided by the DfE in line with social distancing measures/health & safety procedures.

Please also remember that the form group does not mean the students will be in the same lessons too, as they will eventually be set according to their abilities for core subjects.

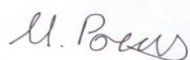
A further letter will be sent to you in May/June time with your child's form group and the date we would like you to attend Marlborough school with your child to meet with us.

You will find information about the transition process, along with any copies of communication that we have sent on our website at - <http://www.themarboroughscienceacademy.co.uk>

I am sure that your child will have a wonderful transition experience, and I am looking forward to sharing their successful journey through secondary education.

Should you have any concerns or questions, please do not hesitate to contact myself at m.pounnas@marlborough.herts.sch.uk, 01727 731386 or Mrs. S Bailey, s.bailey@marlborough.herts.sch.uk, Year 7/8 Pastoral on 01727 731335 or Mrs. S Milton, Admissions Secretary at s.milton@marlborough.herts.sch.uk or by calling 01727 731375.

Yours faithfully,



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Director of Learning & Transition KS3