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Dear Parents and Carers

Head of Lower School Welcome

I hope this letter finds you and your loved ones well. Both myself, Mrs Otley and Mrs Thorpe (Heads of Year 7) would like to take this opportunity in extending a warm welcome to the Newfield School community. I hope your child is looking forward to this very exciting new chapter in their education.

I have been at Newfield School for a number of years in various roles culminating in my current position as Head of Lower School. I have seen the school go through a huge transformation over the years; we are now an oversubscribed educational establishment with families both from our local community and further afield who aspire to attend our wonderful school.

At Newfield School we pride ourselves on the exceptional quality of pastoral care and support given to all our students by an experienced pastoral and form tutor team. We are committed to safeguarding and protecting all students in our care and we aim to create an environment where students feel valued, listened to and safe and where their self-esteem is always promoted.

During your child's time within Lower School (Year 7 and Year 8), there will be a number of opportunities to enhance their life-skills and experiences through a number of activities which are linked to the Newfield School Diploma as well as making their expected academic progress.

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These activities include completing part of the Monsal Trail, workshops with Sheffield Hallam University, Light Cinema Visit to watch the film Wonder, Halloween and Masquerade Balls and a Summer expedition around Derwent Valley. This list is not exhaustive but shows our commitment to providing a well-rounded education for all children who are welcomed into our school community.

Form Tutor Personalised Message – 7A

Hello Year 7's - I am excited to welcome you to Newfield School as your form tutor this September. Aside from being a friendly face every morning as you begin your secondary school experience, I will also be teaching some of you Science during the week! Other than teaching about anything science-related, my hobbies include reading, being outdoors and music. Newfield School will be a wonderful place for you to grow and learn and I can't wait to support each and every one of you through it! - Mrs Williams

Hello and welcome to the wonderful world of Newfield School! There is so much waiting for you to learn; not just subjects in lessons but everything that is different and exciting about secondary school. I will be here to help and support you through the early days and then working together as we become more settled with school life. I can't wait to meet you all and start the adventure - Mrs Hill

Nelson Mandela once said that 'Education is the most powerful weapon which you can use to change the world and that 'I never lose, I either win or learn'. On those poignant words, I would like to say have a wonderful summer and we at Newfield School all look forward to seeing you on our transition days on Thursday 30 June and Friday 1 July and Friday 2 September for the Year 7 Induction Day.

Yours faithfully

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Head of Lower School

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