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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 – 7D**

Hi Year 7, I am Mr Marriott and I would like to welcome you to our form. I have been at Newfield School for 10 years and taken 2 form groups from Year 7 through to Year 11, so you will be my 3rd Year 7 form and I am really looking forward to getting to know you all and helping you to settle into our fantastic School. I am the Head of Art and also an artist who loves to paint portraits of different people and animals and I am keen to know what interests you all have. I am also the Head of Lower School one day a week and while I am sure there are some nerves about starting secondary school, I hope you are also excited and enthusiastic about what is in store for you at Newfield School. You will have a lot of new and exciting experiences to look forward to, so have a lovely summer break and I will see you all in September. Mr Marriott

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

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'K Wildes', written in a cursive style with a large loop at the end.

**K Wildes**  
**Head of Lower School**  
**Newfield School**