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Dear Parents and Carers

### Head of Lower School Welcome

I hope this letter finds you and your loved ones well. Mr Marriott and I (joint Heads of Lower School) and Mr Beaumont (Head of Year 7) would like to take this opportunity in extending a warm welcome to the Newfield School community to you and your child. I hope your child is looking forward to this very exciting new chapter in their education.

Mr Marriott and I have been at Newfield School for a number of years in various roles, culminating in our current positions as joint Heads of Lower School. We have seen the school go through a huge transformation over the years; we are now an oversubscribed educational establishment with families from both 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.

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## Form Tutor Personalised Message – 7F

Hello Year 6. My name is Ms McCarthy and I am delighted to welcome you to Newfield School! I am going to be your new form tutor, and my job is to be a friendly face you see each morning when you arrive at school. I will be there to support and guide you each day, and I hope to make your transition from primary school feel easy and fun. Alongside being your form tutor, some of you may even have me as your Art teacher too. I'm from Ireland, but have been living here for the past 6 years and now call Sheffield my home. Other than teaching, my hobbies include painting, listening to music, and spending lots of time outdoors. I cannot wait to meet each and every one of you, and to be a part of your new adventure. Whilst some of you may be feeling a little nervous about beginning secondary school, I can assure you that there are many exciting subjects and experiences awaiting you. Have a wonderful summer break, and I look forward to meeting you!

Ms McCarthy

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

These activities include completing part of the Monsal trial, workshops with Sheffield Hallam University, Light Cinema Visit to watch the film Wonder, Halloween, and Masquerade Balls and hopefully, a summer History/Geography expedition trip around Castleton. 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.

For the Transition Days, on Wednesday 5 July, students will need to arrive at Newfield School for **9.00am** and on Thursday 6 July they will need to arrive at **8.30am**. On both days, students should bring a packed lunch, snack and drinks.

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, we would like to say have a wonderful summer and we are looking forward to seeing your child on our transition days on Wednesday 5 July and Thursday 6 July and Tuesday 5 September for the Year 7 only Induction Day.

Yours faithfully



**Mr K Wildes/ O Marriott**  
**Joint Head of Lower School**



**Mr O Marriott**  
**Joint Head of Lower School**