

Alcester Academy

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Dear Parents/Carers

We are delighted to hear that you have accepted a Year 7 place for «Forename» at Alcester Academy in September 2019 to continue «His__Her» education from the age of 11 through to 16. I believe you've made an excellent choice. «Forename» will be joining an academy which has consistently performed in the top 10% of schools nationally, including being named as one of the top 100 non-selective schools in 2016. Our Ofsted grading of Good, with Outstanding for behaviour and leadership, only tells part of the story – indeed our most recent inspection suggests we'll be outstanding in our next inspection. I am sure as we commence our relationship you will come to appreciate what a truly fantastic place Alcester Academy is, and how hard we work so that every child fulfils their potential.

We would like to take this opportunity to invite «Forename» to spend the day at Alcester Academy on Thursday 27th June, so that «He__She» may experience a full day with us in «His__Her» new learning environment. During this induction day, «Forename» will be able to meet staff and pupils already at the Academy and begin to form new friendships. This experience has proved to be highly successful in the past and helps pupils to be more relaxed during the summer holidays as they know what their new school is like. You will receive further details of this induction day in due course. Please let us know in advance if «Forename» cannot attend this day for any reason.

During the summer term, staff at the Academy will work closely with feeder Primary Schools to ensure that the transition of information is seamless. Key staff will meet with all children in order to answer questions about their move. At Alcester Academy we recognise that this is such an important time for your child and want to make it as smooth as possible. Please be assured that this process is thorough and will support «Forename».

So that you, the parents/carers, may feel more relaxed about the transfer to Alcester Academy, I invite you to join us at the academy on Wednesday 26th June at 6.30p.m. During this evening you will have a chance to meet key staff, including the Senior Leadership Team and «Forename»'s tutor. We find that this evening works best if your child attends with you. You will be shown around and meet the tutor together. This removes some of the anxiety that can exist around starting a new school and attending the induction day. You will also be able to ask any questions you may have, thus gaining information first hand.

The staff and I wish to welcome «Forename» formally to Alcester Academy. We also wish to extend that warm welcome to you as parents/carers as we begin our partnership together.

Yours sincerely

Mr P Hyde
Headteacher