

The Derby High School

Science and Arts College



15 March 2021

Dear parent/carer,

Congratulations on gaining a place at The Derby High School for September 2021.

I hope that you and your family are keeping well.

Thank you for choosing The Derby High School for your child. We are all excited about your child joining our school.

These are unprecedented times in education. During this time, we have continued to maintain our high standards and expectations of ourselves and our students. Whilst this has not been easy for either students or teachers we have done our absolute best and parents have been incredibly positive about all we have offered.

First and foremost, our philosophy is always to support and encourage our young people. We believe in creating a positive climate for learning in which all students are valued and motivated to succeed. Our work is centred around the 7Rs – Respectful, Responsible, Ready, Reasonable, Right Impression, Resourceful and Resilient – in recent years our emphasis has particularly focused on resilience as we consider this to be essential for a happy and successful experience in school and beyond.

Staff at The Derby High School work extremely hard and demand the same of our students. We strive to build an effective home-school partnership and ask that you also play your part by working with the school, attending all parents' evenings and ensuring your child is fully prepared for school each day. We would also welcome your involvement in our Parent Voice group where you can share your views and opinions and the 'Friends of The Derby' who focus on our community work and fundraising.

Our Induction Day (for students) and Information Evening (for students and parents) is currently scheduled for 1st July. The Prime Minister announced that he is working towards England's lockdown restrictions being lifted by 21st June and so, unless the situation changes, we expect this to still take place in school. All parents/carers must attend this event.

We are committed to delivering a smooth transition from primary to secondary school and we will be updating our transition page on the website detailing essential information for new parents/carers about our school and also advice on how you as a parent/carer can help your child through this transition phase. <http://thederbyhighschool.co.uk/transition/>

If you have any queries please contact jkely@thederbyhighschool.co.uk in the first instance.

We look forward to working with you over the coming years.

Yours sincerely

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