



John Port School An Academy Trust

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Dear Parents and Students,

**Re: Year 7 Admissions for September 2018
Information for Prospective Parents and Students currently in Year 6**

I invite you to visit us on Wednesday 20th September to help you in your choice of school for your child when they start Year 7 in September next year. The open evening is an opportunity for you to see our school, meet our staff and ask any questions you may have. Some of you may already have children at John Port School however I would encourage you to join us to gain updated information and to meet new staff.

At John Port School, we believe that our core purpose is to prepare young people to enter a fast moving and rapidly changing environment. To prepare them for such a challenge we work to develop their skills, knowledge and resilience, which in turn will enable them to achieve the highest possible qualifications.

John Port School works with the students to ensure that they learn in a happy and caring environment. Whilst there is a strong emphasis on academic achievement, all students are encouraged to take part in a wide range of extra-curricular activities outside the classroom. The Mission of the Academy is to provide outstanding education for every student, every day in every subject whilst providing a safe and supportive environment. We will challenge and motivate the students to ensure that they reach their full potential.

We do our utmost to ensure that the transfer from primary to secondary school is as smooth and worry-free as possible; therefore, the following programme has been arranged:

- Delivery of an information booklet to partner primary schools early in September 2017
- Prospective Parents Evening on **Wednesday 20th September** for prospective parents and students currently in Year 6. This evening will start at 5.30pm in the Examinations Centre and will close at 7.30pm.
- Regular visits by John Port School colleagues to partner primary schools during the course of the academic year 2017-8
- An evening in May for students (and their parents) who do not attend one of our partner primary schools lead by Mr Stephenson (Head of Year 7)
- Staff consultation with primary school colleagues regarding students
- Prospective students will be invited to attend a two-day induction programme on Tuesday 3rd and Wednesday 4th July 2018 where they will be able to experience school life at John Port School.

Information on how to apply will be sent via the primary schools for those children living in Derbyshire, Derby City and Staffordshire during early in September 2017.

The deadline for completed application forms to be sent to the appropriate Local Education Authority is 31st October 2017.

I hope you will find the information booklet useful and I look forward to welcoming you to the Prospective Parents Evening on Wednesday 20th September 2017 between 5.30pm and 7.30pm.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs K Squire
Headteacher