

Welcome to Maricourt



June 2020

Welcome all our new families to our Maricourt community. In this time of change and getting used to the new 'normal ways of working' I want to assure you that we are working behind the scenes to ensure that we make the transition from primary into secondary education as smooth as possible. Yes it's a big step up for both parents and children but one that we can all enjoy if we work together. My name is Miss Bennett and as Head of the Lower School, it is my job to make this happen. I work very closely with the Pastoral teams and together we have been preparing to welcome you. We have been collating information about our new Year 7 students in a variety of ways, some new to us, for example virtual meetings, teleconferencing and via online forms; along with the traditional face to face chats. We are ready to begin and share the journey.

Maricourt's community welcome program begins on day one. You will be welcomed by myself, pastoral and teaching staff along with support staff. We begin with a 'who's who?' picture challenge before you are formally welcomed by our Headteacher Mr Mangan. Students are then allocated to their forms by the Pastoral Leader and the busy times begin.

We have a dedicated section for our new students on the school website. [Transtion2020](#). Here you will find information, challenges and everything you need to know. The page is updated on a regular basis

During the first half term parents, carers are invited to join the students for our 'Good cup of Tea' event and to our Welcome Mass.

This year we are going to host an additional parent's evening.

Dates of these will be on the school calendar but may be subject to change with these unique times we are all experiencing.

Change is a challenge. In this time of change we need to be even more mindful of this for our young people.



'Be awesome go big' is a national program developed to help young people address their worries. We will build on this at the start of the academic year.

It's a great way for parents, carers and students to work together.

Here at Maricourt we want to get to know our students. All students will have a personal support plan. This begins with a chat with the Progress Leader and will follow them throughout their time at Maricourt.



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Subject challenges are on the way.

These will be uploaded on the website soon.



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