

Welcome to



Bluecoat Wollaton
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**Letters to our new Year 7
joining us in September**

FAITH

HOPE

LOVE

Dear future Year 7s,

Firstly, I want to welcome you to Bluecoat Wollaton Academy. Hopefully you are excited to begin this next significant step in your lives. Moving from primary to secondary is a huge step; but all the teachers are here to support you. The academy is an amazing place to learn in- not only is it a World Class School, and an Ofsted outstanding school, it's a place in where you'll learn so many important skills as well as experiencing what the wide ranged curriculum has to offer to help you discover a huge amount of knowledge and develop new friendships along the way.

One way in which we can maintain the knowledge we study is through our Knowledge Organisers. These are booklets which store all the information we need for each subject that for that term. The information is presented through key words, diagrams, examples, timelines etc. These are an excellent revision strategy for preserving all of what you've learned in lessons. For me has been an effective way of remembering the knowledge on them and most importantly maintaining it.

Coming to this school makes me feel so positive as it's such a friendly place to learn in- I feel as though I can talk to anyone about any concerns I may have and any worries I might have especially when I started back in Year 7- being comfortable to be able to speak to people was really relieving.

As our mission statement says: 'Believe in yourself, in others and in God' - this is a crucial part of academy life, being able to aspire to be what you want to be, as well as supporting your peers; connecting with your faith is hugely important to being able to achieve your goals and develop as an individual during your five years here.

Finally, I would encourage you to join some of the great range of clubs and extra-curricular activities as a way of connecting with peers and learning about things you enjoy.

I hope to see you in September,

Yours faithfully,

Charlotte Arkle 8WB

Seely Primary



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Dear new Year 7s,

My name is Alice and I am currently in year 8 at Bluecoat Wollaton. When I was transitioning from year 6 into year 7, I was excited but a bit nervous, I was mainly looking forward to science and technology because you could do more practical work in lessons. During my first week of using a timetable I did get lost on my way to a lesson but the students and staff were really helpful and I found the classroom I was supposed to be in. Making new friends may feel like a scary idea but it really isn't anything to worry about. You will soon realise that everyone is in the same boat, and they're just as nervous as you. Once you start your new lessons try talking to people you sit next to and ask questions about themselves. I've managed to make loads of new friends this way. If I could have done anything differently, I probably would have been braver because I was quite nervous to ask for help if I needed it, but I didn't need to be because everyone in the Bluecoat family are really kind and caring.

I hope that you enjoy year 7 just as much as I did.

From Alice

Bramcote CofE Primary School

Dear future Year 7s,

Welcome to Bluecoat Wollaton. I know that moving to secondary can be scary, but it's actually easier than you think and I promise you'll love it here.

I can remember when I came here, I had no friends from my primary school coming up with me and I was scared but everybody here is really nice and make it feel really safe.

We have two mottos, the first being our believe statement 'believe in yourself, in others, in God' and the school motto 'Work hard: Show respect'. They capture the atmosphere of our school perfectly: we are the Bluecoat family.

The teachers are knowledgeable, helpful and make learning easy and fun. My favourite place in the school is the library. It is really calm and peaceful and there are loads of books to read, plus computers and tables to do your homework on.

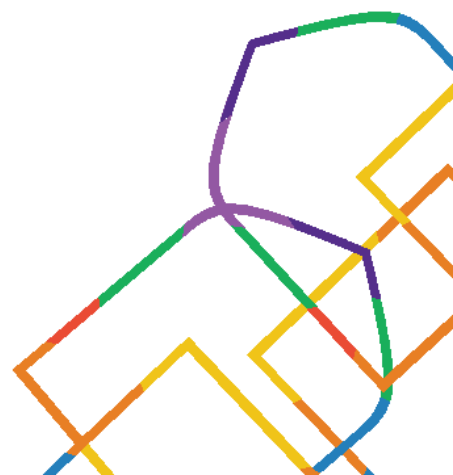
Have a wonderful summer and I look forward to seeing you in September!

Isaac,

Wadsworth Fields Primary School



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Dear future Year 7s.

My names Rachel and I came up to Bluecoat Wollaton two years ago, from Radford Academy. Here in Bluecoat Wollaton we do it the Wollaton way. We 'SHINE' and 'Work Hard; Show Respect'. These routines might seem a little strange to start with, but they make for a calm, friendly and purposeful school. You'll learn to love them!

It is very easy to make friends here: we are a proudly diverse school with many cultures, ethnicities and religions. Whoever you are, whatever your story, you will fit right into the Bluecoat family!

If I had to pick my three favourite things about Bluecoat Wollaton, it would be the great teachers, the great food and all the fun school activities. And don't worry if you don't know anyone else from your school who is coming here: you will make friends. Try to talk to others in your form and year group. You never know what great friends you could find!

We'll see you soon, and show you why we are so proud to be students here at Bluecoat Wollaton Academy.

Rachel

Radford Academy

Dear Year Six,

Welcome to Bluecoat Wollaton Academy. My name is Nancy, and I joined Bluecoat a few years ago from Fernwood Primary, At that time I was the only person from my school, so I was very nervous. However, I made friends straight away, and felt welcomed to my new school.

I have loved being at Bluecoat Wollaton, as my learning and knowledge grows, as well as my maturity and self-confidence. The teachers are knowledgeable and fair and the other students are supportive and will help you whenever you need it.

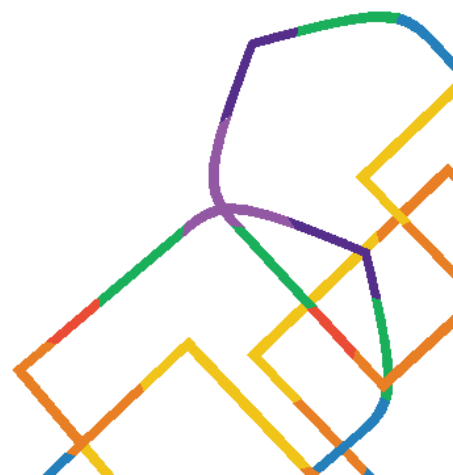
Although it seems like a big change, there is no need to worry. We are all here to help! I hope you have an amazing summer, and I look forward to seeing you in September!

Nancy

Fernwood Primary



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Dear future Year 7s,

I am very glad to welcome you to Bluecoat Wollaton Academy, an impeccable school which makes sure every single student feels safe and welcome. I have been here for 3 years and really enjoy coming to school every day to learn and spend time with my friends.

We have a great education waiting for you, with amazing staff and fantastic resources. Our teachers try their best to make every lesson engaging and fun. The teachers are firm, and have high expectations of us, but are always very friendly, and you can go to any teacher, with any issue you have. They will ensure that you work to your full potential and continue to do your best as you grow through the years.

You will find it very easy to settle-in to our welcoming environment. It is a really calm and orderly place, which helps us to learn a great deal. It is also very easy to make friends and fit into the Bluecoat family.

Alongside the teachers, there's a very skilled pastoral and safeguarding team who will help with worries you have inside or outside of school. At Bluecoat Wollaton, your wellbeing is at the heart of the school's considerations, so you can be sure that you will be cared for.

The campus has great sports facilities, with lots of basketball and netball courts and a big field to participate in the many sports and extra-curricular activities on offer.

And I can assure you that the food here is delicious.

I hope you enjoy your time at our amazing academy.

Tyesha (9WB)



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