

21<sup>st</sup> March 2023

## Dear Parents and Carers,

It is my pleasure to welcome you to Joseph Leckie Academy and congratulations on securing a place for your son or daughter for September – we are really looking forward to meeting you and to working with you in the very near future. This year there has been a significantly increased demand for places and we have had the highest ever number of parents choosing Joseph Leckie as the first choice school for their children. As a result, we are welcoming our largest cohort of Year 7 students ever this coming September and are delighted that your child will be one of those students! We would like to make the transition from primary to secondary school a smooth and enjoyable experience for everyone and we will be doing everything that we can to make this possible.

We are delighted that the good news about our academy, including our 'Good' judgement from OFSTED, our very positive examination results and our caring and inclusive academy ethos is now spreading widely across the local area and we are oversubscribed once again this year. Furthermore, at the senior end of our school, our 6th form is now the largest it has been for many years and the number of students joining us continues to grow each year as our reputation improves.

I am sure you will already know that our aim as an academy, is to provide a learning environment where all members of our community can be successful through learning and leading together. We really do see the partnership with you as parents and carers as an essential part of being a successful academy. We want our academy to be a place of learning in which all our students can achieve beyond what they ever thought was possible, develop the skills of independent enquiry, work cooperatively with others and ultimately lay the foundations for a happy, successful and healthy adult life.

Our core academy values of Leadership, Empathy, Community, Kindness, Integrity and Environmental awareness, have been in strong evidence throughout this academic year so far. Some of our most recent student achievements include taking part in the LionHeart Challenge with One Palfrey, Big Local, Drone Programming Workshop, Science Stem Project, Rewards trip to Drayton Manor, Sixth Form visit to Auschwitz, Big Physics Quiz and More Able competitions to name just a few.

I am so impressed by the quality of the work and the educational activities that take place in our academy on a daily basis. The focus is very much on learning and we are determined that all of our students will achieve great success in their time with us. Caring for your child will be our absolute priority and we look forward to working with you. By working in partnership we will ensure that your child flourishes here at Joseph Leckie Academy and leaves us in 7 years' time having had an amazing academy experience and fully prepared to face the future and live a happy, successful and fulfilling life.



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Transition Days will be taking place between Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> July and Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> July and information regarding the timetable for the day will be sent to you closer to the date. Year 6 Transition Evening for parents will also be taking place on the evening of Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> July. During this important event you and your family will have the opportunity to find out more about our curriculum, enrichment provision and pastoral care (including our uniform). In addition to this, you will be given an appointment time for a one to one meeting with a senior member of the academy staff in order for us to find out more about your child and for you to share any personal issues, concerns or questions.

In the meantime, please visit our dedicated Transition page on our website <a href="https://www.josephleckieacademy.co.uk/transition2023">https://www.josephleckieacademy.co.uk/transition2023</a> to keep update with the latest updates from the Academy.

Finally, if you require any further information, please feel free to contact myself or Miss Ravat (Assistant Principal) via the email address: <a href="mailto:Transition2023@josephleckieacademy.co.uk">Transition2023@josephleckieacademy.co.uk</a> or by contacting the Academy reception on 01922 721071.

I look forward to meeting you soon.

Yours faithfully,

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