



# The McAuley Catholic High School and Sixth Form

An 11 – 18 Voluntary Academy in the Diocese of Hallam

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Dear Parent/Carer

Although society is moving towards a less restricted way of living, there are still restrictions in place which prevent us from operating a face to face transition program this year. We are disappointed that we will not be able to have the transition we had planned but know that the safety of our students, parents and staff has to be our priority

More than ever before, we understand that the transition process from primary to secondary education can be a daunting experience. We want to reassure you that we will assist you in any way we can to ensure all students who arrive at McAuley are excited and fully informed about the next chapter of their education.

## Our Virtual Transition Programme

- There is a section on our school website for transition. Here you will be able to find;
  - Welcome and introduction videos from Form Tutors, Mrs Orcott, Y7 Key Stage Manager and Mr Rooney, Headteacher.
  - A **Year Seven Guide** which contains practical information about, uniform, transport, school meals, attendance, communicating with school, holidays, homework and extra-curricular groups and clubs.
  - A **Moving Up** booklet which will provide you with some summer tasks and activities to help you hit the ground running in September.
- We will be working with all primary schools to ensure a smooth transition to McAuley and to allay any worries or fears the Y6 students may have.

We have provisionally planned for the Year 7 Welcome Mass and Settling in Evening to take place on the 7th October. This will be dependent on Government guidelines when issued and we will inform you closer to the date with whether or not this will go ahead as proposed or changed to a virtual event.

Please can I assure you that we will do all we can to make the transition process for your child from primary to secondary education as smooth and enjoyable as possible. We will be updating the transition section on the school website regularly with relevant information to support you through the process.

If you haven't done so already please make sure that you send back your data collection sheets so that our admin team can process these ready for September.

Best Wishes

The McAuley Transition Team

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**"I have come that they may have life and have it to the full." John 10:10**

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