

Mount St. Joseph

"A community of Learners, Believers and Friends"

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Dear New Intake Student

Thank you for choosing Mount St Joseph school to continue your school journey. We cannot wait to meet you and get to know each of you over the next few months. I hope you are looking forward to meeting us and becoming a student at Mount St Joseph.

Your new headteacher

I would like to take this opportunity to introduce myself to you. You may have already seen me when you visited our school with other members of family who have attended our school or you may have seen me at the beginning of the virtual tour video we have posted to our school website. My name is Mrs Devany and I am immensely proud to be the Headteacher in our community of learners, believers and friends for over five years now! I have been lucky enough to work at our school for almost twenty years and I have seen lots and lots of students (even some students' parents and carers!) move through our school, achieving great success.

My promise to you is that I will work hard to ensure our school provides you with the very best education and that you feel safe and happy in a caring and Christian environment. We have very high expectations of our all students here as we know that you all have the potential to thrive and succeed over the next five years.

Virtual Tour

At the moment we are unable to invite you into our school to meet your new form and your new teachers, however, we have planned other ways in which we can introduce you to our school and our staff. Firstly, we posted a virtual tour of our school on our website- www.msj.bolton.sch.uk under the heading 'Year 6- transition. This tour will also allow you to look around our school and all the different classrooms and departmental areas.

Letters to your form teacher, letters from Year 7 and questions you may wish to ask

On Wednesday, we sent a letter home telling you who your new form teacher will be and your house name. We have also asked you to write to your new

form teacher to tell them all about yourself. You may even get a phone call in the next few weeks from your new form teacher! There will also be other videos posted to our website where you will meet your head of year, Mr Caunce, your pastoral coordinator, Ms Evans and your new form teacher. Our Year 7 students have also been preparing letters to share with you about their first day at Mount St Joseph- you may recognise some of these students from your primary school.

You may be sad to be leaving a very familiar environment of the primary school with all your teachers who have seen you grown into young people. However, I do hope you are excited about joining a much larger community with lots of people and lots of opportunities.

We are always here to help and support as much as we can so please let us know if there is anything you need help with. Keep checking our school website for new videos and activities over the next few weeks.

I will be attending the webinar on Tuesday 29th June at 6pm-7pm with Mr Caunce and Ms Evans- I look forward to seeing you there.

I do hope that you enjoy the last few weeks at your primary school with your teachers and school community before starting your new and exciting journey with us in September.

Take care and stay safe

Mrs Devany
Headteacher at Mount St Joseph school