

11th September 2023

Dear Parents and Carers of Year 7,

I want to take this additional opportunity to welcome our new year 7 students and their families to St Thomas More. We are all very proud to have you as part of our St Thomas More family.

I believe that your child has joined St Thomas More at a wonderful time. The priorities set for the school in the coming years put our school on a trajectory of rapid improvement. My fundamental priority for all students is to set them on the path to a choice filled life. Through catholic values, quality teaching, personal development and wrap around pastoral care our desire is for all learners to 'Be more'.

I want to ensure that parents/ carers receive frequent communication and aware of everything that is going on within the school. In addition to 'Headteacher letters' there will be Progress evenings, Headteacher surgeries, Meet the SENDco events, coffee mornings and Masses, where we will invite parents to join us.

Year 7 will be cared for and supported by all staff but key people in your child's education are listed below. Form tutors should be a first point of contact for students and parents.

- Dr M Kelly- 7B form tutor
- Mr A Harding- 7C form tutor
- Ms J Whiteford- 7F form tutor
- Mrs k Taylor- Head of Learning for Year 7 and 8
- Mrs R Brown- Pastoral manager for Year 7 and 8
- Mrs J Bennett- Assistant Headteacher
- Mrs S Lancett- Acting Head of school

The student planner is the perfect vehicle for home/ school communication. The planner should be checked and signed weekly by parents, along with home, school agreements at the front of the planner.

I am delighted that you have chosen St Thomas More Catholic Voluntary Academy for this crucial stage of your child's education. I very much look forward to working with families and students as they 'Aspire to be More'.

Kind Regards,



Mrs Sarah Lancett
Acting Head of School

