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Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome into Year 7

I am writing to congratulate your child on their amazing start to their academic journey at Ernulf Academy. Throughout their first day, your child has been immersed in the core routines and culture that we promote at Ernulf Academy in order to ensure that each and every child has access to the very best educational experience in a disruption free environment.

Your child has also had the opportunity to meet key members of staff across the Academy to help facilitate a smooth start to the academic year. We hope that this will support all pupils in a successful transition into secondary school. During break and lunchtime, pupils experienced the Academy site including the dedicated, sit-down area that has been provided for break and lunchtime, together with toilet facilities that are exclusive to all Year 7 pupils. They have also had the opportunity to sample the canteen facilities on offer.

I sincerely hope that your child has enjoyed their first day with us and we are very much looking forward to watching them grow into confident, responsible and diligent individuals. I would also like to take this opportunity to remind pupils that they should come to school on Tuesday prepared with the following equipment:

- Full PE kit
- Pencil case including; 2 x black/blue pens, green pen, pencil, ruler, eraser, calculator, glue stick, compass and protractor
- School bag for their homework booklet and Knowledge Organiser

On Monday next week, all parents and carers will receive communication from the Academy, outlining the login details for our cashless catering system. This will allow money to be added to a child's account so that they will be able to purchase food and drinks in the canteen. If you have any problems accessing the system, please contact our Finance team: finance@astreaernulf.org

Following the transition information evening, I would like to share with you an amendment to our behaviour policy. Whist we actively promote a positive learning environment, there may be occasions when pupils fail to adhere to our expectations and they are given a 'C2' detention for their behaviour. This is a 45-minute, same day detention immediately after school from 3.05pm until 3.50pm. An electronic notification will be sent at 2.30pm informing parents/carers of the detention. Should any pupil acquire a further 'C2' detention the same day, an additional 45-minute detention will be issued and run concurrently from 3.50pm until 4.35pm. The expectation of all pupils is that they are positive

role models and follow our behaviour and cultural routines every day and enjoy their learning experience.

If you have any questions or concerns please contact your child's Head of Year or Pastoral Co-Ordinator. Please see the contact details below:

Head of Year 7 – <u>olivia.burton@astreaernulf.org</u>
Pastoral Co-Ordinator for Year 7 – <u>fiona.biddiscombe@astreaernulf.org</u>

We are very much looking forward to welcoming pupils back to the Academy on Tuesday 6^{th} September at 8.40am.

Yours sincerely,

Mr N. Schleising

Director of Key Stage 3

Ernulf Academy