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Dear Parent/Carer

Re: Welcome to John O'Gaunt School

I am absolutely delighted that your child will be joining us as a Year 7 student at John O'Gaunt School in September. They will arrive at an exciting time for the school, as we build on our 'Good' Ofsted rating and go from strength to strength under the guidance of Excalibur Academies Trust.

At John O'Gaunt we talk about being a place with 'big school ambition and small school care'. This means we have the highest of aspirations for all our learners, as you would expect from any good secondary school, but pride ourselves on the personalised approaches we can take as a smaller than average school.

Our ambitious curriculum and highly effective provision help to ensure that all our students are able to make strong progress and thrive, in a supportive yet challenging environment. We strive to tailor our approach to offer a bespoke learning experience for all our young people. John O'Gaunt is also an exciting and vibrant place to be, with lots of opportunities available to all our students for enrichment and personal development. We are extremely excited about the future of JOG and the young people who will be part of it.

To get a flavour of what we offer and see some of the outstanding success stories of our students, please take a few minutes to visit our school website, www.johnogaunt.co.uk and you may find it particularly helpful to visit the 'Transition from Primary' section under the 'Join Us' tab.

Could I please ask you to **complete our Student Admission Form** that will provide us with all the necessary information we need for your child as they transfer to John O'Gaunt. This is an electronic form that can be accessed here - <https://forms.office.com/e/atmQ3dfR4r>

If you have any problem accessing this form, please contact the school office or email our Transition email – transition@johnogaunt.excalibur.org.uk.

If your child will require transport for 2023-24, could you please ensure your applications are submitted to the relevant local authority as soon as possible. There are links to the transport application forms on our website, under the 'Parent' tab.

We will write to you again shortly with more information about our 'Induction Programme' for the summer term. In the meantime, I would like to welcome you to JOG and look forward to getting to know you and your child over the coming months and years.

Yours sincerely



Richard Hawthorne
Principal