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Dear H7SW

Welcome to H7SW!

My name is Mr Woodhall and I would like to take the opportunity to introduce myself as your new form tutor. This is my sixth year at The Sir John Colfox Academy and I am looking forward to supporting you and helping you settle in. I have been teaching for 13 years and have had a tutor group for all of those years so I am very much looking forward to welcoming you and coaching a new group. I understand that moving from Primary school to Secondary school is a big change, but do not worry, myself and our wonderful Year 7 team will help you settle quickly and make you feel happy in your new chapter at SJCA.

My subject area is Design Technology where I am also Head of technology. I love any opportunity I get to use practical equipment or to make something. At University I studied Architecture for 5 years where I got to visit various cities around the world and learnt how buildings can be constructed and relate / reflect their surroundings. After 7 year in Architecture I went on to complete my PGCE at Chichester University and have taught at four schools which has given be a lot of experience. I went into teaching because I was concerned about the lack of priority practical subjects are receiving and wanted to share my materials knowledge so that students will leave school with competent DIY skills.

Outside of school I enjoy travelling, woodturning, furniture making and gardening. Prior to teaching, I worked in an Architects practice as I am an RIBA ARB part 2 qualified architect. This gave me any skills in construction, 3D modelling and materials knowledge.

I am really excited to take on a new Year 7 tutor group and will do my best to give you the best welcome possible! I looking forward to getting to know you, so I hope you will have lots to tell me, such as fun facts about yourself and what you have been up to over the summer. Teamwork makes the dream work and I like a tutor group who helps one another and enjoys a good debate! Once again, welcome to H7SW. Let's work together to make this the best tutor group in the school, as you can probably tell, I'm very competitive!

Yours sincerely
Mr S.Woodhall