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Welcome to King Charles I School

Dear Parent/Carer,

I write to welcome you to King Charles I School and introduce myself as the headteacher. I am delighted that you have chosen to send your son/daughter to us and look forward to seeing them flourish and succeed as they grow into a young adult during their seven years with us.

Students only gets one main chance of an education, one main chance to flourish and prepare for adult life. We will strive to give all our students the very best because it is what they all deserve. As you know the attainment and achievement of the students at King Charles I School has increased year on year in recent times. Secondary schools are now rightly judged on the progress that students make from the beginning of Year 7 until the end of Year 11 using the 'Progress 8' score. 2017 was another record breaking year at King Charles I School and the students made outstanding progress across a range of subjects - a truly fantastic achievement, demonstrating the quality of the experience studying at King Charles offers alongside the students' hard work. The table below shows the 'Progress 8' scores for the secondary schools in the local area and as you can see we are the only school where students made positive progress from the beginning of Year 7 until the end of Year 11.

School	'Progress 8' score
King Charles I School	+0.26
National average	-0.03
Wolverley CofE Secondary School	-0.07
The Stourport High School and Sixth Form Centre	-0.27
The Bewdley School and Sixth Form Centre	-0.39
Baxter College	-0.41
Holy Trinity School	-0.57

Our 'Progress 8' score means that the grades our students achieved were just over a quarter of a grade better than other students nationally. In fact our 'Progress 8' score is the fourth best of all the secondary schools in Worcestershire. The DfE also put schools into groups of similar schools and as you can see below we did exceptionally well.

School	Position within group of similar schools (out of 55)
King Charles I School	8 th
Wolverley CofE Secondary School	26 th
Baxter College	40 th
The Bewdley School and Sixth Form Centre	41 st
The Stourport High School and Sixth Form Centre	42 nd
Holy Trinity School	54 th

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We will also be holding a New Intake Evening for you on Thursday 5th July and running five Induction days for students on Monday 2nd-Friday 6th July. The precise details will be sent to you nearer the time. In the meantime, if you have any questions about the transition arrangements, please contact Mr Wilkinson (head of the Borrington Site).

I look forward to meeting you on Thursday 5th July.

Yours sincerely,

Stephen Brownlow
Headteacher