



Dear Parent/ carers/ students,

Visitors to the academy regularly comment on the excellent relationships and caring ethos of the school. We are proud of the support systems we offer our students and the inclusivity that underpins them. Our pastoral support system has student coaching at its heart. Every student in the academy is part of a small coaching group of around a 12 students, from the same year group, which meet together three times a week.

Coaching groups are created by the Key Stage 3 team. We make sure we have a mixture of students from different primary schools in each group. We also make sure each coaching group has the same split of boys and girls with a range of interests.

However, we do understand that for some students joining a new school and not being in the same classes as the people you are with in Year 6 can be difficult. Therefore we try, where possible, to place you in a coaching group with at least one other person that you know. This can be someone from your own school, or somebody you know who is also joining Priesthorpe in Year 7 in September.

To help us create the coaching groups, please can you answer the following questions. We are really looking forward to meeting you soon where we will share your coaching group with you.

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Many thanks in advance

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