



The Shared Learning Trust

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Dear Families,

Thank you all for your support this week – it has been a calm and focused start to the new academic year, with our new Year 7s and Year 12s joining us on Wednesday. Despite the unseasonably warm weather, students have settled in well, and staff were happy to welcome everyone back.

I spoke to all students in assembly about our vision and focus for the year ahead and also introduced them to new staff. Our results showed a positive improvement on 2022 figures, despite the changing grade boundaries making things tougher for all students. I explained to Year 11 that I expect their results next summer to be the best the Academy has ever seen – I have no doubt we can do this, and I look forward to seeing all **Year 11 parents next Tuesday (12th September) for our Achievement Evening**. We will use the evening to explain expectations and plans for Year 11, including revision guides and presentations from core departments (English, Maths, Science and Humanities).

We have recruited well to ensure the school is fully staffed with the best teachers – I want all students to show excellence by working hard and trying their best, show responsibility by following staff instructions and show compassion by speaking to staff and students with kindness.

With such a large organisation, there will always be a few hiccups. If there are any issues in school students can speak to their form tutor, teacher, pastoral staff (Head of Year and Assistant Head of Year) or a member of the Senior Leadership Team. During break and lunch staff are highly visible, wearing hi-viz vests. If a student has any concerns – whether they are lost, upset, can't find their class, don't have lunch money, anything – they can talk to us.

I will update you next week on some key events coming up this term, including our Year 7 Welcome Evening on Tuesday 19th September from 5pm to 7pm and also our TSPA Open Evening on Tuesday 3rd October.

Student behaviour will be a priority throughout the year – I make no exceptions about wanting our students to come to school on time, with the correct equipment and uniform, to try their best and to show respect to everyone in the Academy. The Academy is also a **mobile phone free zone** – they will be confiscated if seen, so I would like to thank parents in advance for your support in enforcing this. The Academy behaviour policy can be found here:

<https://stockwoodpark.thesharedlearningtrust.org.uk/policies/63.html>

The Academy is also aware of the challenges faced by many families – food is distributed every other Saturday from the Academy (to anyone who needs it, no questions asked), we have a community store cupboard that families can access and we will support/signpost support where we can. If you have any questions, or need support, please do not hesitate to contact the Academy.

As always, thank you for your support.

Mr Humayun

Principal

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