



5 September 2025

Dear parent/guardian,

Welcome back to a brand-new school year!

I hope you all had a restful and enjoyable summer break. Whether you travelled far and wide or enjoyed some well-earned downtime closer to home, we're delighted to have our school community back together and ready for the term ahead.

Following two days of staff INSET on Monday and Tuesday, it's been a real pleasure to welcome students back from Wednesday – the energy around the school has been fantastic, and we've already seen students settling back into routines with enthusiasm and focus. A huge thank you to all of you for your support over the summer in updating uniform & restocking tools for learning and preparing your children for the return to school. Students have come back looking incredibly smart and ready to learn – it really does make a difference, and it's very much appreciated. If there are outstanding pieces of uniform that you need, we may be able to support you. We have lots of stocks on site – please do contact the school.

As always, the start of term is a time for setting the tone for the year ahead. I enjoyed assemblies with each of the year groups of Wednesday and Thursday and shared some common messages with the students:

**Be ambitious:** set your goals high and work hard to achieve them

**Be part of the community:** work with each other, for each other

**Take pride in all you do** – even when no one is watching

With each year group I also outlined some key expectations most pertinent to their academic year – you can view the individual year group slides [here](#)

I would like to take this opportunity to formally welcome new staff who join the MECE Family this September: Mrs McShee, Mrs Tyagi and Mr Bryant in science, Mrs Kosch in Geography, Mr Kafroshi in PE, Mr Khan in Computing, Ms Richmond in Drama and Miss Fearnside in Inclusion. They have all settled well and got stuck straight into meeting students, teaching their curriculum and of course navigating the site!





I will also take the chance to update you on another new MECE arrival – Mrs Smith safely welcomed her daughter, Juniper, to the world in the first part of the summer holidays and she very nearly stole the show when they popped in on results day!

In next week's newsletter I will be showcasing some of the student achievements we have been hearing about from over the summer holidays – if your son/daughter has done something they would be happy for us to publicly celebrate please do send details (and perhaps a photo) to the school office team.

Looking forward to next week – on Thursday we have schools' photos. Every student is expected to have an updated photo taken and details of how to purchase them, if you wish, will be shared in due course.

Parents of Y7 and parents of any other new starters can expect to receive log in details for Class Charts in the first part of next week too – this platform allows you to monitor attendance, homework, House Points and (if applicable) behaviour points/sanctions.

And finally, the first of our afterschool clubs will be starting next week with Homework Club in the library available until 4.15pm on a Tuesday and Thursday. Students have access to a computer, and a member of staff is on hand to support them too. The rest of our club's programme will be fully active from the following week and we will share the programme next week.

Looking further ahead in September we have information evenings hosted by Heads of Year. Please take note of the relevant dates and look out for further information from your Head of Year next week:

**Year 7: Thursday 18 September in person with Mrs Haycock**

**Year 8: Wednesday 24 September online with Mrs Haycock**

**Year 9: Wednesday 24 September online with Ms Jackson**

**Year 10: Thursday 18 September in person with Ms Jackson**

**Year 11: Wednesday 17 September online with Mr Mount**

We know that strong partnerships between home and school are key to student success, and we're very much looking forward to working closely with you throughout the year. Please don't hesitate to get in touch if you have any questions, concerns, or just want to say hello – our doors are always open.





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Thank you once again for your ongoing support – it truly makes a difference.

Here's to a fantastic start to the year!

Warm regards,

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