

Partnership of Greenacre & Walderslade

September 2017

Dear Parent/Carer,

I would like to start by welcoming our students and parents to the new academic year. In particular, a very warm welcome to our new year 12 students who will be settling in to the next phase of their education. I would like to take this opportunity to thank parents for supporting the academy by encouraging their son/ward to attend our year 12 induction day in July; it is clear that this opportunity has enabled the students to make the transition from secondary school to sixth form more smoothly than we have seen before.

As a school we are committed to improving our communication with parents and carers and I hope you feel that this was an area we improved on last year. If you have not already provided us with your email address and mobile phone number, we would appreciate you sending us these details at your earliest convenience; you will shortly receive a data capture form to be completed and returned to your son/ward's form tutor.

A reminder that parents will receive regular updates on your son/ward's progress and attainment; for students in year 12 and 13, parents will receive termly reports (six times per year) at the end of each term. I am pleased to tell you that parents will also receive a full written report throughout the year and parents are encouraged to attend Parents Evening which is an ideal way to liaise with staff to ensure the best possible outcomes for your son/ward. In addition, we also send home a termly newsletter with highlights of student achievement and key messages from staff.

We realise that there is a great deal to consider as your son/ward moves into the Sixth Form and we will be inviting you to a Parent Information Evening on **Wednesday 20th September 2017 at 6pm** in the common room to help with this process. This will enable you to meet the sixth form staff and share any concerns that yourself or child has about joining the sixth form.

We look forward to meeting as many of you that can make it on this evening, and if you can't please do not hesitate to contact us with any concerns.

Yours sincerely

Mr M Dallas

Director of PGW and Assistant Headteacher

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Deputy Head of Sixth Form