



Dear Parents/Carers

I cannot thank you enough for your support towards your child and our school since their return in September. The current climate has placed challenges on us all but Year 9 have easily adapted into the 'new normal' of school life. The year group team and I are incredibly impressed with the maturity shown by this year group, despite the restrictions forced upon us. They are a credit to yourselves as parents/carers and I could not be more proud to be their Head of Year.

Although our students have had a vast amount of time off school, I can assure you that now they are back with us, our year group team and myself have already reignited their passion towards their education, we will continue to do this by increasing their aspirations and discussing their short term and long-term goals. In March, year 9 will choose which options they would like to study for GCSE. I have spent these first weeks back promoting our Hylands Habits, which are key attributes we believe our students will need to be successful at GCSE level and later life. Please join me in using this shared language and challenging your child on how they can demonstrate these behaviours in everything that they do.

My immediate aim is to further push your child's aspirations, I will have year 9 excited to choose their GCSE options and will give them a real purpose for being at school and working hard. I worked closely with this year group last year and I know the excellence that they possess, I will endeavour to ensure that they see this within themselves as well as the opportunities that await them in the future. To enable this we are teaching students to be independent and take responsibility for their learning; to communicate with teachers when they are struggling, to push and challenge themselves in every lesson and to use the expanse of resources that are at their fingertips.

Year 9 have shown continuous respect this half term, by having limited contact with peers and being socially distanced from teachers and support staff. It could easily be overlooked how patiently they wait to enter school at their designated time and entrance, how they abide by the year group bubble system or the wearing of masks and regularly sanitising their hands.

Over the year, our dedicated year group team will guide and encourage our students to think hard about potential career paths, and the challenges and successes that will come along their journey. Please continue to use these committed tutors as your first point of contact over the coming year, despite the difficulties schools are facing during the pandemic, our tutors still have your child's best interest at the forefront of their day, every day, and I am extremely grateful for their continued efforts.

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I once again would like to thank you for your ongoing support to your child and our school, and for keeping yourselves and us safe.

Yours Sincerely

Mr W Bayston
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