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Dear Parents/Carers

As we have moved into the new term, I wanted to update you on a couple of changes to our team.

We have welcomed two new Heads of Department; Mr Booth who has joined the Geography department and Mr Duffy who has joined the Design Technology department. Both come with a proven track record of success, and both have managed departments in their previous schools, we are very lucky to have them working with our students.

We have also been working over the last term to strengthen our Student Support Team to ensure that we can offer all students the best support both academically and pastorally. As many of you will be aware we welcomed Mr Pitt as a new Head of Year in December. He has been spending time getting to know the students and from this week will be looking after Year 9. We also welcome Mrs Oakley who has started this week and will be Head of Year 10.

In February Mr Robinson will join us as our new Choices Lead, his role will be to work with students to remove barriers to learning to allow them to be able to access all lessons.

As our Year 11 are in their final months we wanted to keep things as familiar as possible with them, therefore Mrs Davidson, Mrs Gawthorpe and myself will be leading this year group with the support of Mrs Reed.

Our support team:

Member of Staff	Role
Mrs Davidson	Assistant Head (Behaviour and Welfare)
Mrs Archer	Head of Year 7 and 8
Mr Pitt	Head of Year 9
Mrs Oakley	Head of Year 10
Mrs Reed	Pastoral Support Lead
Mr Robinson	Choices Lead
Mrs Wright	PLAC/LAC and DA Lead
Miss Lidster	Attendance Officer and Pastoral Administrator

As a school we very much believe that students have choices which they need to make, it is our responsibility to help them to understand the choices they make and the consequences they must allow them to become successful learners.

Our behaviour system works very much in line with this, our students are rewarded for making the right choices and will receive consequences if they make the wrong choices. We must ensure that all students are supported to achieve their best and that no student stops another from being able to be successful.

I thank you for your support in our work to ensure that all students can be the best that they can be. Please do not hesitate to contact us should you require a meeting or to discuss any of this information further.

Your sincerely

Mrs Somerville
Head of School