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Dear Families,

I hope this letter finds you well and that you had a wonderful summer break. We are delighted to welcome you and your children back for the start of the new academic year. I do hope you are in good health and high spirits as we eagerly begin a new academic year at our school and sixth form. It is with great excitement and enthusiasm that I extend my warmest welcome to all our new students and their families who are starting with us this term in our newly opened 'New Beginnings' provision.

The start of a new academic year is always a time for a fresh start. It is a time to set new goals, embrace new challenges, and build on the knowledge and experiences gained in the past. As you know we are committed to providing a nurturing and supportive learning environment where every student can thrive and achieve their full potential and 'be the best they can be'.

As Sue Ackroyd our CEO / Executive Principal informed families at the end of last year, this term sees us embrace changes in the leadership structure and our branding as we move to working under The Smith Foundation. We are also pleased to announce the opening of the Trust's first Children's Home and the College being fully operational.

Sue informed us all of these changes and as such I will write to you as Head of School. College letters will be sent separately by Leanne Clarke, Vice Principal for Further Education, to families within the Specialist College. Hopefully, at some point, those of you now already in our school will have the opportunity to either progress to the Sixth Form or enter the College.

As we embark on this new journey together, I want to emphasise the exciting opportunities that await us. This academic year promises to be filled with academic excellence, personal growth, and memorable experiences. Whether you are starting a new phase of your education, advancing to the Sixth Form, or attending our College, there is much to look forward to.

To stay informed about important updates, events, and activities, please make use of our communication channels, including our website, social media channels on Facebook, X and LinkedIn, Newsletters, and regular letters. We encourage open communication and are always here to address your questions or concerns.

Once again, welcome back and I look forward to seeing familiar faces and welcoming new members to our school and sixth form community. Thank you for being a valued part of the foundation's family. We are excited about the journey ahead and grateful for your continued support.

Warm regards,



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