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Dear Parents/Carers

I just wanted to write to you as it is the start of a new academic year and to welcome all our students as they embark on the next step of their educational journey.

Results

We are very pleased that we have had an increase in our results and although we are on a journey the changes that have been implemented are already having an impact on outcomes. In terms of overall progress we have seen a huge increase, especially in our Value Added as it is the best the school has seen in recent history. Some departments have done extremely well: Maths, Science, Modern Foreign Languages and RE with significant increases in progress, attainment and A*-A grades. We are an improving school and some of the changes do take longer to embed. The processes and procedures however have to be sustainable and we have ensured they are, rather than a 'quick fix' approach.

Uniform

I also wanted to thank you for your patience over the issues around our new uniform and especially the school skirt. Unfortunately the company we have been using has not delivered and I can only apologise for the inconvenience. We have been working on solutions on an individual basis with parents/carers and are trying to resolve the problems as quickly as possible. The new uniform however does look very smart and we have had many positive comments, despite the delivery issues.

Safer Schools Partnership

Keeping young people safe is paramount and schools play a pivotal role in this. I have decided that as a school we need to be proactive within our community to ensure that we work in partnership with all the available agencies. I have therefore entered into the Safer Schools Partnership where we will work alongside the Police to keep young people educated and safe.

What this will mean is that Sir Thomas Boteler Church of England High School will have a full time Youth Engagement School Based Police Officer on our staff. Her name is PC Shelly Lister and she comes with over 12 years of Police experience. This relationship is all about partnership working and represents a new approach to Police involvement in schools. We will benefit from PC Lister's wide skill set and knowledge which will really support the school, our students and wider community.

Some core responsibilities will include:

- Being a positive role model for the students and wider school community
- Undertaking targeted PHSE and citizenship inputs as appropriate, and agreed by the school, thereby contributing to the school learning environment.
- Using resources from the Safer Schools Partnership to support with e-safety and the government's Prevent agenda for example.
- Being involved with the school and education welfare service in supporting good attendance.

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At Sir Thomas Boteler Church of England High School we have extremely good relationships with external agencies. I feel as a school we have to promote partnership working within these agencies wherever possible, sending out positive messages to our young people. We are a very outward facing school and I believe we should embrace these opportunities, collaborating and working together as a community team. We are one of two schools in Warrington who are involved in this partnership.

Through God, we care

We have completed a significant amount of work with students, staff and Governors around our school motto which is 'our school cares'. However as a Church of England school we felt it did not reflect our Christian ethos. After consultation we are therefore changing it to 'Through God, we care'. There was overwhelming support to keep the High Expectations, High Aspirations, High Standards – you will succeed' which was introduced last year, as it was felt that this represented the new culture at Sir Thomas Boteler Church of England High School.

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These are non-negotiable and underpin everything we are trying to achieve at school. Your support is crucial and we pride ourselves on having positive relationships with our parents and carers.

Please ensure you have read and discussed the School handbook with your child as it clearly sets out our expectations. Please make specific reference to behavior, safety, uniform and equipment. The new mobile phone/device policy is on page 25 and please can I remind you that mobile phones or electronic devices are not allowed to be used on site. They are to be switched off and placed in bags as the student enters the building and can be turned on when they leave the building. If there are urgent messages and you need to contact your child, please can you do this through contacting the school office.

I am really excited about the new academic year and working with all the students, as they remain our top priority, because we all want to see them achieve their potential. We will remain focused on improving student outcomes and improving the lives of all our young people so they not only have a successful year but a successful future at Sir Thomas Boteler Church of England High School and beyond.

Yours sincerely

Mrs B Scott-Herron
Headteacher

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