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Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you and your family have enjoyed a restful and rejuvenating summer break. With the new school year now fully underway, I want to extend a warm welcome back to all our returning families and a special welcome to those joining The Hastings Academy for the first time. The beginning of a new school year brings excitement and anticipation, and we are committed to ensuring that every student has a positive and enriching experience with us.

We are pleased to share that last year was an exceptional one, with our Year 11 securing their next steps and leaving us with strong results. We are incredibly proud of their hard work, dedication, and success, and we look forward to continuing this momentum across all year groups.

Over the summer, we have continued our efforts to enhance the safety and well-being of our community, working closely with the Local Authority and the Police. Additionally, we have made further updates to our facilities and are excited about the improvements that will contribute to a more positive atmosphere for our students. Extensive redecoration has been completed, and most excitingly we have installed a full salon in room F10 for the teaching of Hair and Beauty, and an Automotive Workshop in W6 to allow the teaching of Mechanics and Engineering.





As we start the year, I wanted to take this opportunity to remind you all of the importance of regular attendance. Research shows that strong attendance is linked to better academic outcomes, and we encourage all students to attend school regularly and be fully present in every lesson. If you face any challenges regarding attendance, please reach out to us so we can provide the necessary support.

Finally, I would like to remind all parents and students about our school uniform policy, which plays a key role in maintaining a safe and orderly environment. We appreciate your cooperation in ensuring that students adhere to these guidelines.

Thank you for your continued support and partnership in your child's education. We look forward to working together to make this school year a success.

Warm regards,

Simon Addison
Principal and School Improvement Executive

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