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## Principal Letter (2)

**12th September 2025**

Dear Parent/Carer,

It has been an absolute pleasure to drop into many lessons and mentor times this week. These have been calm and purposeful, with students responding brilliantly to the routines and expectations we have asked them to follow since we returned from our summer break. We have made an excellent start to the year, and the focus now is on maintaining this positive momentum.

I am delighted to share some excellent news about Year 7. Since the beginning of term, the year group has achieved an outstanding attendance rate of over 98%. This is a fantastic start to the year and reflects the positive attitude and commitment that our students are showing towards their learning. We recognise that it isn't always possible for students to attend every day, particularly if they are unwell or face unavoidable circumstances. However, such consistently high attendance makes a real difference to students' progress, friendships, and overall wellbeing at school. Please join me in congratulating Year 7 on this excellent achievement so far. With your continued support, I am confident we can maintain this momentum throughout the year. Thank you for everything you do to help your child make the most of their time at school.

A reminder that we now have our uniform hub in operation, and students who do not have the correct uniform will either be issued a uniform slip or provided with the missing item. We have seen a significant improvement in uniform this week again, and I appreciate your support in ensuring we are the smartest school in Cambridgeshire moving forward.

Finally, as I have mentioned a couple of times, this year I, along with other senior colleagues, will be hosting a series of parent forums throughout the year. This is an opportunity for us to share the work we are doing and to get feedback from you on what is working and what is not. If you would like to attend the first one, focused on behaviour and expectations on Tuesday 23rd September at 5:30 pm, please follow the link to sign up here:

[https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScJP6mF0DATwmog5fJq2q5vCR3zV6wVs92S8z0DV\\_mAzeAgsA/viewform?usp=dialog](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScJP6mF0DATwmog5fJq2q5vCR3zV6wVs92S8z0DV_mAzeAgsA/viewform?usp=dialog)

I hope you have a really enjoyable weekend.

Kind regards

Ian Stoneham

Principal

**Key dates this term:**

15th September: Year 7 individual photos  
18th September: Open Evening  
23rd September: Parent forum (1)  
1st October: Year 7 and 11 meet the mentor evening  
16th October: Year 9 information evening  
24th October: Half term ends  
27th-31st October: Half term  
3rd November: Half term begins  
17th November: Parent forum (2)  
17th - 27th November: Year 11 practice exams  
28th November: Non Pupil Day (Staff training day)  
3rd and 4th December: Year 7 Parent's evening  
19th December (1pm): Term ends