



Welcome Back to a New Academic Year

Dear Parents and Carers,

A fantastic first day

It has been a pleasure to welcome our students back to West Bromwich Collegiate Academy after the summer holiday. I have been extremely impressed by the excellent standard of uniform and positive behaviour shown on the first day. Our students have returned ready to learn and have made a fantastic start. Form Teachers or Heads of Year will contact home regarding any minor issues with uniform, and we thank you in advance for your support.

Celebrating our strongest GCSE results

This summer, our Year 11 students achieved the strongest GCSE results in the Academy's history. This success reflects their dedication and resilience, the support of their families and the hard work of our staff. We are incredibly proud of them and hope their achievements inspire every student to aim high this year.

A message from Mrs Henderson

I am very happy to be returning from maternity leave and taking on the role of Principal. Like Mr Faux, I have been a founding member of the Academy since it opened, and we have always shared the same ethos and priorities. I wish Mr Faux every success in his new challenges.

School Photographs — Thursday 3 September

- **Years 7–10:** Individual school photographs will be taken.
- **Uniform:** Please ensure your child attends in full Academy uniform and is smartly presented.
- **Viewing and ordering:** Families will receive a QR code or link to view the photographs before deciding whether to purchase them.
- **Year 7:** A whole-year group photograph will also be taken for display in our entrance corridor.
- **Year 11:** Leavers' photographs will be taken later in the academic year.

Open Evening — Thursday 10 September, 4:30–8:00pm

Important: Students will finish at 2:25pm

If you have a child currently in Year 6 who is considering a Year 7 place for next September, we would love to welcome you to our Open Evening. [Read our Open Evening guide](#) before your visit.

- **Early finish:** Students will be released at 2:25pm so staff can prepare for the event.
- **Student volunteers:** Some students will be invited to act as tour guides or subject ambassadors.
- **Consent:** We hope parents and carers will give consent if their child is invited to help. Further details will be shared later this week.

Coming later this week

I will write again at the end of the week with key dates for your diary and further updates.

Thank you for your continued support. We look forward to working in partnership with you and hope the year ahead will be happy, successful and positive for every member of our Academy community.

Kind regards,

Mrs Henderson

Principal