



The Ferrers School

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Principal's Update

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope this letter finds you well and that you had an enjoyable summer break. We have had a fantastic start to the year at TFS! It has been such a pleasure to meet students this week, and I have really enjoyed starting to get to know them. I have been very impressed with how polite and friendly students have been, both to myself as a new member of staff, and to each other. I look forward to continuing to build strong relationships with both students and families over the coming years.

New School Year & Student Voice

Both myself and Mr Greenwood, our new Vice Principal with responsibility for Culture and Ethos, met with all students during assemblies this week: it was great to have students from all year groups together. We shared our ambitions for them to feel safe and happy in school, and to be aspirational for themselves and their achievement. It was also an opportunity for students to be reminded of our high expectations of their conduct at TFS: students have really risen to those expectations this week! Mr Greenwood also informed students that he will be carrying out a number of student voice activities over the next few weeks, as we look to strengthen opportunities for students to shape the future direction of our school, and also embrace leadership roles as we develop them. Watch this space!

Communication with Families

We place huge importance on the partnership we have with our families. As such, I will be sending out a fortnightly update letter with key information and events taking place across the academy, to keep you all informed. We will also share updates of TFS life on our social media pages on Facebook and Instagram: do follow us to see the latest good news! The My Child At School (MCAS) app continues to be our main communication platform between home and school. Please ensure that you have downloaded the app so that you do not miss any important information.

Meet the Tutor Evening – Tuesday 16th September – Save the Date

Our House System is integral to all we do at The Ferrers, and we are delighted to be able to offer the opportunity to meet with your child's Form Tutor early this academic year. Parents and Carers will be invited to our 'Meet the Tutor' evening on **Tuesday 16th September**. The evening will run from **16.15-19.15** and further details will follow by separate letter with information of how to book an appointment. We look forward to welcoming you into school.

Parent Voice

As the incoming Principal, I am really keen to hear your views about the school, and any thoughts you may have about how we continue to work together to build on the great work of Mrs Smith and Team Ferrers up



to this point. Should you have any suggestions, please do not hesitate to contact me at Head@theferrers.org.uk. I will also be available at the 'Meet the Tutor' evening to hear your views and start to get to know our families.

School Meals

Instructions of how to add funds on MCAS for school meals can be found [here](#). Please ensure that you add funds for your child's school meals and remember to check your child's balance regularly to ensure that they have sufficient funds to purchase food.

School Uniform

Thank you for supporting our high expectations in respect of uniform to ensure that we can focus on your children's learning and school experience. Students have returned to school looking very smart. As a reminder, the uniform policy can be found on the school website [here](#). We had some particularly bad weather at the start of the week; as we move into autumn, please encourage your child to come to school with a waterproof coat.

Key Dates for September

Tuesday 16th September – Meet the Tutor Evening

Tuesday 23rd September – School Photographs

Thursday 25th September - Y11 Drama Theatre trip (11.45am to 6.30pm)

Tuesday 30th September – Year 6 Open Evening

Thank you for your support. We look forward to a great year ahead at The Ferrers!

Yours sincerely,



Clare Raku
Principal