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Dear Parents,

I am writing to thank you for your continued support to ensure our transition is successful for all our students and to inform you about the latest developments in this process.

This week I have had the pleasure of enjoying afternoon tea with a group of Year 9's who have made excellent progress since September. I am looking forward to meeting students from across the other Year groups over the remainder of the term. It was heartening to hear how well the Year 9's have settled into their new setting. Also, as you are aware, students across the school came together on Friday to raise money for Children in Need and I am always proud of their commitment on such occasions.

We have recently extended our CCTV across the school to continue to provide a safe and welcoming environment. We currently have a small minority of students who do not show a suitable level of respect towards school property and we will be using the CCTV to ensure that we act upon any incidents of damage and contact home for reimbursement.

Recent changes to our behaviour policy are ensuring that the majority of students are meeting our high expectations. We want all students to maximise their learning opportunities by engaging in their lessons and provide a range of support to ensure that all students are able to do so. Some students have not yet settled as well as we would expect and we will continue to keep you informed as parents/carers if this is the case.

Students are currently being asked to share their opinions and ideas as we move forward with the design of our new school uniform and our new school emblem. We very much look forward to involving all stakeholders and will be writing to you in due course with the outcome.

We are days away from launching 'Show My Homework', a web-based homework tool which will help students organise their homework and allow you to support your child better in their learning. I will be writing to you again next week with more detailed instructions as to how to log on and an updated homework timetable for KS3.

Thank you again for working together with us in helping every student to enjoy, achieve and aspire on our journey towards creating the West Coventry Academy.

Yours faithfully



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