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Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to the New Academic Year

Welcome back! I hope you and your families had a wonderful and restful summer. It is always a joy to welcome our pupils back through the doors, filled with enthusiasm and ready for the year ahead.

The Importance of Attendance

High attendance is directly linked to academic achievement, strong social development and overall pupil wellbeing. Attending school every day ensures that your child does not miss out on vital learning, key concepts, and valuable classroom interactions. We ask for your full support in prioritising punctual, daily attendance throughout the year to give your child the best possible foundation for success.

Engagement in Extra-Curricular Activities

At Magna Academy, education extends well beyond the classroom. We strongly encourage all pupils to get involved in our extensive extra-curricular programme. Participation in sports, creative arts, clubs and enrichment opportunities helps pupils build confidence, develop new skills, and form lasting friendships. Please encourage your child to explore the activities on offer this term and sign up for at least one club.

Schools within Schools Pastoral Model

As an academy, we are incredibly excited and look forward to seeing how our new pastoral structure will foster stronger relationships, boost academic engagement and ensure that every student feels known, valued, empowered and supported to succeed. Please see below the key staff associated with each school:

Talbot: Ms Bishop (Head of School/Assistant Principal), Ms Bleeze (Academic Director), Ms Hannam (Pastoral Support Leader), Ms Kigundu (DSC), Mr Donaldson-Brown (DSC) and Ms Croker (DSC).

Anning: Mr Hesketh (Head of School/Assistant Principal), Mr Hampton (Academic Director), Ms Thompson (Pastoral Support Leader), Mr Crabb (DSC), Mr Ginger (DSC) and Ms Cameron-Laurie (DSC).

Parent friendly school
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A Level - Platinum Award Alps Top 10%

Webster: Ms Cook (Head of School/Assistant Principal), Mr Moore (Academic Director), Ms Punchard (Pastoral Support Leader), Ms Gomes (DSC), Ms Webb (DSC) and Ms Halls (DSC).

Parent Forum – 14th September

We invite all parents and carers to join us for our upcoming Parent Forum on Monday, 14th September. This forum will serve as a valuable opportunity to meet our Executive Principal, share your feedback, and discuss our vision for the school year ahead. To accommodate as many families as possible, we are holding two sessions:

- Morning Session: 9.00 am
- Evening Session: 5.30 pm

We look forward to seeing many of you there and working in positive partnership across our school community.

Free School Meals – Important Changes

There are new eligibility criteria for Free School Meals (FSM) starting this term. If your child currently receives Free School Meals, you must re-apply to ensure their entitlement continues, as previous transitional protection arrangements ended on 31st August 2026.

Under the updated guidance, there are now two levels of eligibility:

- Targeted Free School Meals: For households on Universal Credit earning less than £7,400 annually. Includes access to Pupil Premium funding and HAF programmes.
- Expanded Free School Meals: For households on Universal Credit earning more than £7,400 annually.

Please complete a quick application via BCP Council as entitlement does not transfer automatically.

Please Check Your Child's Arbor Details

To help us keep your child safe and fully supported, please take two minutes to log into the Arbor App and verify your contact and medical details. In particular, please review:

- Emergency contact numbers and home addresses
- Medical conditions, allergies, and daily medication requirements

Thank you, as always, for your partnership, trust, and support. We are looking forward to a fantastic, successful year ahead together.

Yours sincerely,



Mr P Midworth