



23rd May 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

As we approach the end of a short yet busy term, I would like to update you on a few things.

Year 11

Year 11 have been very impressive in how they have tackled the challenge of their exams. They have been motivated, mature and worked with staff incredibly well. They now have a week to recuperate and revise, before they continue with their exams. Just a reminder that we expect all Year 11 pupils to continue to attend school after half term, up until Tuesday 10th June 2025. From Wednesday 11th June, pupils will be on study leave and only expected in school for exams and booster classes. From then on, pupils will be expected to sign in and out for health and safety reasons.

Just a reminder that the Leavers' Assembly for Year 11 will be held on Thursday 19th June 2025 at 2.30pm. It will last around an hour. This will provide a final opportunity to share memories and say goodbye after five years with us. Further details to follow.

Prom is on Friday 11th July 2025 at Blakelands. This annual event is always a highlight of the school year and I know the pupils are looking forward to it. Tickets are still available in the Attendance Office just off Reception.

Year 10

Next term will be a busy one for Year 10, with mock exams starting Wednesday 18th June and lasting until Friday 27th June. The following week, Year 10 pupils will be on work experience, which is always an invaluable exercise and an opportunity to sample the world of work.

Year 8

Year 8 will have a Parents' Evening on Wednesday 11th June 2025 with form tutors. Information on how to book an appointment has already been sent to you. We are reviewing how parents' evenings will work for next school year.

Stour Vale Academy Trust

As of Monday 2nd June 2025, The Wordsley School will formally become part of the Stour Vale Academy Trust. This formally ends a process that has been ongoing for over 12 months. We have already begun to work closely with Stour Vale colleagues from other schools on a range of areas of school improvement, which is bringing benefits to our pupils and staff. I am genuinely excited to continue and extend this collaboration in the coming months and years.

At this point I want to reassure parents that you will not notice any immediate changes. Uniform will remain the same, as this decision is delegated to individual schools. We have seen a real improvement in uniform this term and we wish to see that continue next term.

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When pupils return at the normal time of 8.30am on Monday 2nd June 2025, they will walk into the same school, with the same staff and expectations. Things will carry on as normal. Over time is where the clear benefits of being part of a family of schools will be seen by parents and experienced by pupils.

Parent Survey

Thank you to the nearly 200 parents who responded to the survey we have run this term. We have started to collate and analyse the results. Next half term I will write to parents with a summary of the results and what actions we have taken as a result. All feedback, both positive and less so, will help us on our journey of improvement we have been on over the last two years.

I wish you a happy and restful half term. We look forward to seeing your child back with us on Monday 2nd June 2025.

Yours sincerely



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