4th September 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

As we approach the end of the first week, I'd like to take this opportunity to praise your children for the way they have approached coming back to school. They arrived looking smart and seemed to be genuinely pleased to be here. There has been a lovely atmosphere around the school and everyone has settled back in well.

Site Improvements

There has been a great deal of work done to the school site over the holiday, all with the aim of improving facilities and making them safer for pupils and staff. This has included:

- Full refurbishment of the girls' toilet facilities and a new set of KS3 toilets for boys. This has often been raised on pupil and parent surveys. These facilities are modern, clean and fit for purpose.
- Full refurbishment of the Music rooms.
- Extension of the main playground down to the field, removing trees and roots identified as being potentially unsafe.
- New windows, paths, steps and fencing to improve safety.
- Modernisation and redecoration of many areas of the school.
- Newly modelled Reception area, designed to add an extra layer of security for staff and pupils.

I'd like to thank Stour Vale Academy Trust for their help and support with these projects, as well as a huge shout out to our site staff who have worked incredibly hard all summer. Hopefully the pupils noticed the difference.

Dates for Your Diary

There is always a lot going on in this first half term. The key dates for your diary are:

- Tuesday 15th September - Years 8 and 9 curriculum information evenings.
- Wednesday 23rd September – Open Evening. This will mean an early closure for all year groups from 2pm.
- Tuesday 13th October - Year 11 Parents' Revision Evening.
- Tuesday 20th October - Year 7 Parents' Evening.

Class Charts

At Wordsley we have been using Class Charts for a number of years now. This provides a wealth of information regarding your child's education, including timetable, homework, positives, behaviour and much more. If you are not already signed up, you will need a personalised code. Year 7 pupils will be bringing this home with them today. Other year groups, please contact the school if you are not already signed up.

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Reminders

Standards of uniform have been high and I thank you for your support with this. Please can I remind parents that pupils should not wear a nose piercing and that these need to be replaced with a clear retainer. Hair colours should not be extreme and skirts should be an appropriate length.
Just to remind you, the Heads of Year and Pastoral Support Leader in each year group are as follows:

- Year 7 – Mrs Perks and Mrs Rees — Year7@wordsley.dudley.sch.uk
- Year 8 – Mr Wood and Mrs Leonard — Year8@wordsley.dudley.sch.uk
- Year 9 – Mr Penn and Mrs Yeomans — Year9@wordsley.dudley.sch.uk
- Year 10 – Miss Lloyd, Miss Dufficy and Mrs Williams — Year10@wordsley.dudley.sch.uk
- Year 11 – Mr Hope and Mrs Stockton — Year11@wordsley.dudley.sch.uk

Please direct any concerns regarding your child to them in the first instance. They can then forward to the relevant member of staff. Any other enquiry should contact the info@wordsley.dudley.sch.uk or call Reception on 01384 816015.

Thank you as always for your support with your child's education and I look forward to seeing you in school over the coming months.

Yours sincerely

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