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HEADTEACHER: Mr T Hardcastle

Re: September 2025 update

Dear Parent/Guardian,

As we begin the new school year, we want to extend a warm welcome to all of our returning and new families. It's been wonderful to see our students return to school with such enthusiasm. They've quickly settled back into the rhythm of school life, and it's clear they are ready to embrace the academic year ahead. A special welcome to our new students in Years 7 and 12, who have already become a valued part of our community.

We are incredibly proud of last year's students for their outstanding exam results. Their hard work and dedication paid off, and it was a joy to see them celebrate their achievements on Results Day. Our results are a testament to what our students can accomplish with the strong support of our school and their families.

Now, our attention is fully turned to this academic year and everything that can be achieved. To help you fully support your child with their education, I would like to outline a few important messages and changes:

The combination of school, students and home

In my last letter before the summer, I emphasised the importance of working together to achieve the best for our children. Our history of success, reinforced by our strong results this year, shows you can place your trust in us. Every decision we make is genuinely in your child's best interests.

We believe that a strong combination of school, students and home is vital for student success. We are always happy to work with you to support your child's education. To ensure our staff can dedicate their full attention to supporting students, we ask that all communication with our team remains respectful and positive. Please note that we have a zero-tolerance policy for any form of verbal or written abuse towards our staff.

Getting the basics right

In assemblies this week, I shared with them a simple message based on the habits of our most successful students from last year. We believe that consistent attendance of 95% or higher, giving their best effort in every lesson, approaching challenges with a positive attitude, and maintaining high expectations by always wearing the full uniform are the key pillars of success. By reinforcing these four principles at home, you can help us ensure your child is on the path to a successful and rewarding year.





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INSET days for 2025-26

Monday 3rd November 2025 Monday 23rd February 2026 Friday 26th June 2026 Monday 20th July 2026

And finally...

Once again, welcome back to the new academic year. I will continue to write to you throughout the year with key messages and updates. I am confident that with your support, your children will continue to progress and achieve their full potential at Wickersley.

Yours sincerely,

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Mr T. Hardcastle Headteacher