

Friday 22 September 2023

Dear Parent/Carer,

## Re: Year 9 Head of Year Welcome Back

I am immensely proud of the year group and their seamless transition into year 9. Naturally, a new year brings alterations to the structure of the school day and policies that underpin all the great practice we see each day. That said, the year groups' hard work and commitment has simply been a continuation from what was seen across year 8 and has undoubtedly allowed each student to grow into the new year.

Now that clubs and extra-curricular activities have begun, I want to take this opportunity to encourage students to make the most of all that is on offer within and after school. House events have already begun with the GW Olympiad 1 beginning this week, and it's been excellent to see so many students sign up to be involved. Further key dates to look forward to before we break for Christmas can also be found below:

- 16/10/23 House Sports W-Football G-Netball
- 18/10/23 Y9 Bournemouth Uni visit
- 19/10/23 HOY celebration breakfast
- 02/11/23 International food festival
- 30/11/23 Year 9 parent evening (Core)

As a Head of Year, I look forward to seeing students in their classes and enjoy learning walks where I can see students working so hard. A special shoutout to W9-1, W9-3 and G9-3, G9-4 as they have excelled in the classroom.

Once more, it has been brilliant to see the cohort transition so smoothly from year 8 into 9, with students continuing to effortlessly uphold the key values embedded at the academies. Year 9 will continually present new challenges, but the cohort are in a fantastic place to achieve greatness this year and then across 2 subsequent important years.

If you have any questions/queries, please direct them to tutors in the first instance. However, if you have any further questions, then please contact the following: Mr O Collins – Head of Year 9: <u>ocollins@glenmoorandwinton.org.uk</u> Mr Westcott – Pastoral Lead for Year 9: <u>awestcott@glenmoorandwinton.org.uk</u> Year 9 team: year9team@glenmoorandwinton.org.uk

Finally, I just want to extend a huge thank you, to you as parents, for supporting the students with the start of a hugely successful new year at Glenmoor and Winton Academies. I am so proud to lead the year group for a second year at the Academies.

Yours sincerely,

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