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Dear Parents/Carers

I am writing to introduce myself as the new Head Teacher of The Farnborough Academy from September 2018.

My name is Martyn Jobling and I am very much looking forwards to working with you, your children and the staff of The Farnborough Academy to ensure that all of our students have the chance to shine brightly and achieve their full potential.

I have been a teacher in Nottinghamshire for almost 20 years and for the past 12 years I have worked at The National Academy in Hucknall where I was Principal for my final two years.

During this time I played a key role in moving the quality of education and student success at The National Academy from a very poor to a very strong position. It is the experience and skills that I have developed in this post that I know will enable me to help Farnborough move forwards quickly so that all students receive the quality education that they are entitled to.

I am very excited about taking up this new role and I have already begun the process of planning for the improvements that need to take place in September. I have a strong senior team who are very experienced and they are equally as fired up as I am and determined that this academy will once again be highly successful.

In September I will write to you to confirm the details of an event where you will have the opportunity to meet myself and my team so that you can speak to us directly about any aspect of academy life.

However, in the meantime I am a great believer in starting as you mean to go on. The details of the academy uniform can be found on our website, the wearing of this uniform in the correct manner at all times is a non-negotiable so I would be grateful if you could ensure that your children arrive at the academy appropriately dressed ready for learning on the first day back. This includes no black jeans or leggings and only black leather shoes which can be polished – no mesh or canvas. If you have any issues with sourcing items of uniform then please contact us and make us aware.

When students return to the academy I will lead an assembly where I will outline to them my expectations of a Farnborough learner. These will be around key themes of:-

- Being pleasant and polite at all times
- Always trying your best even when things are difficult
- Respecting our environment
- Presenting yourself and your work to the highest possible standards at all times
- Co-operating with academy staff
- Respecting the views and opinions of all members of our community

I would be grateful if you could discuss these attributes with your children over the summer in preparation for their return to school. The academy term for students starts on Thursday 6 September at 8.35am for Years 7 and 11 and 10.00am for Years 8, 9 and 10.

As we move into the summer break may I take this opportunity to wish you a safe and pleasant summer and I look forward to working with you all in September.

Martyn Jobling