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Dear Parent/Carer,

I would like to introduce myself as the new Head of Year 8. I will be taking the lead with this year group as of September 2024. I know that many of you will share my appreciation for the effort and hard work that Mrs McNulty and Miss Sterling have dedicated to the year group, and I know they will be missed from the role.

I know that such a change can be difficult for children, especially when they have built positive relationships with key members of staff. I would like to take this opportunity to assure you all that in my current role as Head of House, I have worked with many students within the year group, giving me a good knowledge of the students who are due to be within my immediate care.

I am a very experienced teacher and started at Stockport Academy in September 2019, as such I have the necessary skill set to support your child with their needs and will make it my priority to ensure that I am up to speed with any issues or concerns that are currently ongoing. Mrs McNulty and I are already in regular contact regarding the year group, and I have no doubt that she will continue to support me through the transitional period of changing roles.

I will be working alongside Mrs Shaw, the Pastoral Manager for Year 8. Mrs Shaw is also extremely experienced and is well known amongst the students. We are extremely lucky to have her working with the year group. She is always on hand to support you with any issues or problems you may be facing during the school day, at times where I may be teaching and cannot respond immediately.

On the first day of school, Wednesday 4th September, can I kindly ask that all students arrive at school at 11.10am.

All students should arrive in full uniform. Skirts should be worn to their full lengths alternatively trousers should be worn. Please remember as per our uniform policy, students are not allowed to wear make-up, jewellery, fake lashes, fake nails or fake tan. Please ensure hair colours are natural and we recommend you refer to our full policy on the school website for reference to the above and the appropriate choice of footwear. The equipment you should bring includes the following: pencil case containing two blue or black pens, one red pen, pencil, ruler, eraser, pencil sharpener and a scientific calculator. All students should have a school bag, this can be a rucksack or a large tote bag big enough to fit A4 books inside.

At Stockport Academy we want all our students to strive to greatness and fulfil their potential. In order for this to happen students must have great attendance and ensure they arrive at the academy on time. As part of our home learning students will be expected to complete weekly tasks, most of these tasks are set via online platforms.

At Stockport Academy we place an emphasis on good behaviour and character. Year 8 students need to continue to progress and take more responsibility for themselves with their independent studies and behaviour. Excellent



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learning is underpinned by excellent behaviour. In year 8 students are expected to be accountable for their actions, and we very much appreciate support from parents and carers with this at home.

I would like to take this opportunity to remind you that we have a no phones policy, if your child brings a phone to school it must remain turned off and away until they leave the school premises. If a student is seen on their phone it will be confiscated, please refer to our full policy on the school website should you have any concerns.

If you would like the chance to speak to us, please feel free to email [sarah.shaw@stockport-academy.org](mailto:sarah.shaw@stockport-academy.org) who will be able to assist with any queries.

It is my pleasure to be embarking on this journey with you all and support your child through their next few years at Stockport Academy.

Kind regards,

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