



4th September 2023

Dear Parents/Carers

As we begin a new school academic year, I would like to take this opportunity to write to you as the new Head Teacher of Ashmole Academy.

The journey for the school remains deeply centred around the school motto; 'Excellence, Aspiration and Care'. All of our students are set aspirational targets, and with the excellent quality of teaching we are able to support each and every one of our students to maximise their potential. At the heart of this is for all students to follow both the school routines and behavioural expectations, which will be the main focus this half term. In terms of care, we aim to ensure that every student is supported both by their form tutor and class teachers.

The school continues to be at the cutting edge of curriculum initiatives and we continue to build on the work launched last year regarding subject curriculum pillars. The pillars are designed to make the purpose of each discipline and the key components of each subject explicit, whilst providing a shared language for conversations about progress at subject level. Home learning is another area that we have brought greater clarity to, and together with the introduction of the 'Student Journal', all students are expected to complete either the preparation or consolidation tasks via Google Classroom.

I appreciate the importance of clear communication and information with regards to the learning taking place for your child. At the start of each term this information will be sent out to you detailing the topics covered by each subject. If you require additional information, then this can be found on our website. If you need to contact the school then we have the following communication channels listed below so that the relevant person receives your message.

Child Absence – message via the My Child At School App (MCAS)

General enquires, including information that you would like teachers to be aware of:

office@ashmoleacademy.org

Any concerns that require one of my leadership team members to deal with:

staff@ashmoleacademy.org

Any safeguarding concerns please email:

safeguarding@ashmoleacademy.org

If you have tried to contact the school and not received a reply, or you would like to bring a matter to my attention, then please contact my Personal Assistant, Mrs MacKay-Lear.

Finally, I look forward to seeing you all at Parents' Evenings and other evening events throughout the year.

Yours faithfully

Mr B Dhinsa
Head Teacher