

Monday 1st September 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope this letter finds you well and that you have enjoyed a wonderful summer break. It brings me great joy to welcome you all back to Forest Academy for another exciting year of learning and growth. Our school community is truly enriched by the presence of your children.

I must say, it warms my heart to be back full time at Forest and to see our pupils return today, looking so smart in their school uniforms. Your efforts in ensuring your children adhere to our uniform policy are greatly appreciated. This commitment to our school's values and standards sets a fantastic example for our young learners.

At Forest Academy, we believe in setting clear priorities to guide our actions and ensure the best possible educational experience for your children. This year, we have identified four core priorities that will shape our work and focus our efforts:

1. **Leadership for Excellence:** Empower leaders at all levels to drive improvement, strengthen teaching and secure high-quality outcomes.
2. **Equity & Achievement for All:** Deliver an inclusive, ambitious curriculum that eliminates barriers and secures excellent progress for all, including those in EYFS and with SEND.
3. **A Nurturing Approach:** Sustain a trauma-responsive culture where emotional well-being, resilience and relationships underpin academic and personal growth.
4. **Community Engagement & Pupil Voice:** Strengthen belonging and pupil voice through strong family partnerships and meaningful leadership opportunities for all pupils.

As we embark on this academic year, I invite you to join us in this journey of growth, learning, and positive change. Your involvement, support, and collaboration are invaluable to us, and together we will create a nurturing and enriching environment for our children.

To start the year on the right note, we invite you to attend our annual parent welcome meetings. These sessions offer a valuable opportunity to meet your child's new class teacher and learn more about the curriculum and learning opportunities for the year ahead. The details are as follows:



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- Monday 8th September: Year 5 Pine - Mrs Coombs
- Tuesday 9th September: Year 6 Rowan - Miss Ballie
- Wednesday 10th September: Year 4 Oak - Mr Narh
- Thursday 11th September: Year 3 Lime - Mr Clarke
- Friday 12th September: Year 2 Elm - Miss Wilkins
- Monday 15th September: Year 1 Cherry - Mrs Nadeem

Each meeting will take place in your child's classroom from 3:30 to 4:00 pm. We encourage you to attend, as these meetings provide an excellent chance to connect with your child's teacher, ask questions, and gain a clearer picture of the exciting journey ahead.

Once again, welcome back to Forest Academy. I look forward to a successful and rewarding year ahead. Please do not hesitate to get in touch if you have any questions or concerns. Let us work together to make this academic year truly exceptional for our children.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs. S Lloyd
Headteacher