

11th September 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back!

It has been great to see our children and young people coming back into school with smiles on their faces and keen to get back into their classrooms. There has been a really positive feel around school and it has been lovely to welcome everyone back.

A particular welcome to all of our new families joining Foxwood this term. We hope that you and your children quickly feel part of the Foxwood community.

It has been a long summer break, but school certainly hasn't been quiet. Lots of work has taken place across the site, with classrooms being updated and decorated, carpets replaced and different areas of school refreshed. The whole building feels fresh and welcoming, and I know staff have worked hard to make sure everything was ready for the children returning.

Many of you will also have seen the building work taking place for the new Foxwood Secondary provision. Everything appears to be progressing really well and it is exciting to see the development taking shape. While the work continues, there are some additional traffic restrictions around school, particularly at drop-off and collection times. Can I please ask everyone to take extra care when driving or walking around the site. With taxis, minibuses, families and contractors all moving around at busy times, a little extra patience and caution makes a real difference.

There are also a few important dates to put in your diary.

Meet the Teacher – Wednesday 23 September 2026

Everyone is welcome to come into school and meet your child's class teacher and classroom team. It is an opportunity to see the classroom, find out a little more about what your child will be learning this year and ask any questions you may have. We will send further details shortly.

INSET days – Thursday 15 and Friday 16 October 2026

Please note that Friday 16 October 2026 is a whole-school INSET day and school will be closed to ALL children and young people.

There is also an additional **PRIMARY ONLY INSET day on Thursday 15 October 2026**. This means that children in our Primary phase will not attend school on either Thursday 15 or Friday 16 October 2026.

For everyone else, Friday 16 October 2026 is the final day of this half term and school will be closed to pupils.

Finally, a reminder about keeping in touch with us. We know that many of our children and young people travel to and from school on organised transport, which means parents and carers do not always get the traditional chance to catch someone at the school gate. That does not mean we are any less available.

If you have a question, concern or simply want to talk something through, please phone or email us. You are also very welcome to come into school for a visit; we just ask that you contact us beforehand so that we can arrange a suitable time and make sure someone is available to meet you.

We hold a considerable amount of information in school and take our responsibilities around confidentiality and data protection very seriously. If you ever believe that information has been shared in error, please contact school directly so that we can act quickly. You can also contact our Trust Data Protection Officer, John Walker, at john.walker@phplaw.co.uk

Thank you, as always, for your support. It is good to have everyone back and I am looking forward to another busy year at Foxwood.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'JH', written in a cursive style.

James Hutchinson
Headteacher