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Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you and your families have had a restful summer break. We are very much looking forward to welcoming Year 9 back to school tomorrow for what will be an important and exciting year.

As your child prepares for their GCSEs next year, we have made some changes to the way classes are organised. From this September, students will continue with their existing form groups for registration and PD lessons, but their *teaching groups* will now be mixed. This approach is designed to help them get used to the changes they will experience when moving into GCSE classes, as well as to give them the opportunity to work alongside a wider range of their peers.

We understand that it may take some time for students to adjust to this new structure, and we encourage them to approach it with an open mind and a positive attitude. In our experience, students quickly settle into their new groups and benefit from the chance to make new friendships and learn alongside different classmates.

We kindly ask for your support in allowing your child time to settle into their new groups. Should any *serious concerns* arise once your child has had the opportunity to experience the new arrangements, please don't hesitate to get in touch.

We are excited to welcome Year 9 back tomorrow and to support them through this important stage of their school journey.

Kind regards,

Mrs Owen
Progress Leader Year 9