



23rd July 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope our letter finds you well at this ongoing difficult time. I am writing to you to inform you about some exciting new initiatives at the academy. From September, we have decided to use some additional recovery funding to allow an additional member of staff to work closely with each main school year group.

There will be three key staff members in each year team instead of two. We firmly believe this will enhance support for students at this challenging time. It will allow us to focus both on the wellbeing and academic needs of our students with equal measure. It will also ensure there is a focus on all students and not just those about to sit their final exams.

Please see below for the staff teams from September for each year group below:

	Learning Manager (focus on wellbeing and pastoral issues)	Year Group Recovery Lead (focus on academic recovery and progress)	Executive Team Lead
Year 7	Miss Bailey	Mr Harper	Mrs Fletcher
Year 8	Miss Goodwin	Mr Rhodes	Mr James
Year 9	Miss Taylor	Mr S Allott	Mr Bennett
Year 10	Mrs Severn	Miss Beckwith	Mr Broomhead/Mr Mills
Year 11	Mrs Reeks	Mr Preece	Mr Vallance
Sixth Form	Mrs Pass	Mr Goacher	Mrs Jones

There will be an email address for each year group to allow you to communicate with all of the above staff members quickly and easily. The format of these is as follows (the number of the year group being the only feature needing to be changed): **year9team@tscacademy.org.uk**

Planning for the work of these teams has already begun and we have identified broad areas that we will be working with our students on. Please find the focus for your child's year group below:

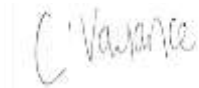
Year	Focus areas
7	Settling in and understanding academy systems. New baseline assessments in English, Maths and Science to identify learning gaps. Numeracy and literacy catch up where needed. PSHE days, Food & Nutrition Days, life skills and careers events.
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9	Options and GCSE Guided Choices. New baseline assessments in English, Maths and Science to identify learning gaps. Numeracy and literacy catch up where needed. Study skills and focus on effort in all lessons. Introduction to GCSE Pod (revision app) and revision techniques. PSHE days, Food & Nutrition Days, life skills and careers events.
10	Study skills and revision sessions including best use of GCSE Pod (revision app). New baseline assessments in English, Maths and Science to identify learning gaps. Numeracy and literacy catch up where needed. Study skills and focus on effort in all lessons. PSHE days, Food & Nutrition Days, life skills and careers events. Introduction to post 16 choices and pathways.

11	<p>Induction programme to prepare for the exam year ahead. Study skills and revision sessions including best use of GCSE Pod (revision app). Use of provide revision guides and before and after school intervention classes. New baseline assessments in English, Maths and Science to identify learning gaps. Numeracy and literacy catch up where needed. Study skills and focus on effort in all lessons. PSHE days, Food & Nutrition Days, life skills and careers events. Support and guidance with post 16 choices and steps after leaving school.</p>
Sixth Form	<p>Induction programme with focus on wellbeing. PSHE days, Food & Nutrition Days, life skills and careers events. Study skills and revision sessions, before and after school intervention sessions. Support and guidance with steps after leaving Sixth Form.</p>

We very much look forward to working alongside students and their parents and carers during the next academic year. By working positively together with each other we believe we can make great progress during this upcoming challenging and exciting year.

If you have any issues or questions please do not hesitate to ask. Thank you in advance for your support.

Yours faithfully,



Chris Vallance
 Director of Student Experience