



# UNSWORTH ACADEMY



Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2025

Dear Parents/Carers,

I must start this week's briefing by saying how deeply saddened everyone at Unsworth Academy is by the events at Heaton Park Hebrew Congregation Synagogue yesterday. Yom Kippur is the holiest day in the Jewish calendar and should be a time to reflect and contemplate peacefully together. Members of our Unsworth and local Jewish community will feel much distress by what has happened. We are here to support and have liaised with several families and colleagues today. Our deepest condolences go to the victims' families, and everybody affected by the atrocity.

The rest of this week's briefing will be short given such a sombre context. I must highlight some key diary dates. This coming Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> October, school will close early at 1.25pm due to Open Evening. On Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> October we have our final "Exceptional Unsworth 28" information evening for parents of Year 9. Finally, advance notice to parents of Year 7 of the first of two parent's evenings on Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> October.

The recruitment process for my successor here at the school is nearly complete. There will be formal announcements and communications about your new Headteacher early next week. I will then look forward to a three-month handover period before the change at Christmas.

Thank you to everyone in our community for the way in which we come together in solidarity at such difficult moments.

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