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Dear Parents/ Carers

I hope you all had a fantastic summer and enjoyed spending quality time with your child. I am fully aware of the challenges and triumphs that lie ahead this year. My goal is to ensure that your child achieves excellent academic progress alongside enjoying the wider experiences of school life. I will be continuing to track and monitoring attendance, achievement and the behaviour of your child to ensure that successes are recognised and any underachievement is quickly addressed. Collectively, we had an excellent year, with year 7s demonstrating our CORE values on a daily basis. I want to take this opportunity to thank you for your support and commitment in what was a superb transitional process.

I am pleased to share with you that we have had a fantastic few days, with year 8s at the top of the rewards table. This demonstrates that our year group has a positive work ethic and leadership skills in and out of the classroom.

I am excited introduce some new members of staff that have joined our tutor team:

Mr Guilfoyle BD1,
Miss Nicholls CT2,
Miss Knee MR2
Mr McMinn PK2.

Your child will meet their tutor on a daily basis during tutor time. These staff members will support me by ensuring they play an active role in supporting your child with their academic and pastoral wellbeing. These staff members will be the first point of communication between yourselves and the school. We also have a college assembly next week which will give students the opportunity to celebrate their successes from the previous year and all of the exciting opportunities they will have to look forward this academic year.

As mentioned earlier, I will spending a significant amount of time supporting student, parents and carers with their attendance. I am sure you appreciate that attendance at school is not just valuable, it's essential. Going to school is directly linked to improved exam performance which should in turn lead to further learning opportunities and better job prospects. As well as this, coming to NLS will help your child to develop friendships. Please can I ask that you model the value of education, including the importance of regular attendance? I feel together, we could have a significant impact on the progress your child makes.

The PE department are pleased to advertise an opportunity for sports in Warwickshire. Warwickshire County Cricket Club are launching a brand new talent ID and trialling process for Boys U13 – U18. This is open for anyone to apply to should they wish to. Please click on the link below to find out how to enter your child into this process.

[CLICK HERE TO DISCOVER THE NEW U13 to U18 BOYS TRIAL APPLICATION PROCESS](#)

There are so many wonderful opportunities that await your child at NLS this year. I am extremely excited to be continuing their journey with them. We will be there every step of the way to ensure they develop the skill set to thrive this year.

Kind regards,

Mr Carl Royle
Head of Year 8