

Friday 6<sup>th</sup> September 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope this letter finds you well. I am writing to share with you the fantastic start we've had to the new academic year. It has been an exciting and energising first week back, with all of our students returning in an exceptionally smart manner and demonstrating that they are ready to learn from the outset.

On Monday 2nd September, all staff were in school for training, where we introduced our new professional standards and unveiled our refreshed vision and ethos: "Achieving Excellence Together." This vision encapsulates our collective ambition to provide the very best educational experience for every student and to work together to achieve outstanding outcomes.

Throughout the week, both staff and students have been inducted into these high professional standards, and it is wonderful to see the commitment from everyone to uphold them. This positive attitude is already reflected in our attendance figures, which are above national standards, with our new Year 7 cohort almost reaching an exceptional 100%. What a brilliant way to start the year!

We have also welcomed several new staff members who are already making a significant impact on our school community. They are settling in well and contributing positively to our shared goal of achieving excellence together.

I have had the pleasure of leading assemblies where I shared our recent GCSE success stories and reiterated our core values of RITA – Respect, Integrity, Teamwork, and Aspiration. These values continue to be at the heart of everything we do at Colne Valley High School, and I am confident they will guide our students to even greater achievements in the coming year.

ClassCharts is now up and running, and while we are working through a few minor technical issues, we encourage you to keep checking the latest code that has been sent out. This platform will help us better communicate with you and celebrate student success.

Speaking of celebrations, I am excited to announce that we will be regularly recognising students who demonstrate the highest professional standards. This will include our new initiative, the Head of School's Captain's Table, where students who excel will be rewarded for their dedication, behaviour, and commitment to learning. If your child is selected for this honour, you will receive a personal invitation from me to join in the celebration.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your support in ensuring such a smooth transition back to school. Your cooperation has been invaluable in helping us maintain high standards and create an environment where students can thrive.

Thank you once again for your continued support. We look forward to working together to make this year one of the best yet for Colne Valley High School.

Yours sincerely,



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Head of School