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Dear parents/carers,

I am delighted and privileged to have been appointed as the new headteacher for Jewellery Quarter Academy and to be taking up my post at the start of the academic year. The exciting challenge and opportunity to shape, lead and develop the future education within the school so it can serve as an integral part of its community, ensuring that our learners achieve their highest outcomes, is something I am looking forward to.

I have been a teacher, senior leader, headteacher and executive headteacher across a range of secondary schools for twenty-one years. My first headship was an underperforming school in Staffordshire which at its final inspection was described by the lead inspector as a school 'transformed' and this was one of the proudest moments in my career to date.

I am very aware of the responsibility that my staff and I have in ensuring that the highest standard of teaching and learning is achieved. I will ensure that every pupil in our school has a breadth of opportunities to provide them with the knowledge and experiences to achieve their absolute best in life, in school and beyond.

I would also like to take this opportunity to remind all parents/carers of some of the good practices expected from our students from their first day in September and throughout the school year.

Attendance – Regular attendance is vital for school success. Each day of learning builds on the previous one and missing school can create gaps that can be hard to fill. We ask for your support in ensuring that your child attends school every day and that they attend on time. Should your child need to miss school due to illness or an unavoidable circumstance please inform the school as early as possible.

Behaviour and attitudes to learning –A positive and respectful learning environment is essential for everyone's success. We expect all students to exhibit behaviour that reflects our school values, this means being kind and considerate to peers and staff, following school rules and actively always participating in their learning in all lessons. Encouraging your child to approach school with a positive attitude, curiosity and a willingness to engage will set them on a path to success. We believe that a collaborative effort between home and school will help our students to succeed.





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Uniform – We appreciate your cooperation in ensuring that your child comes to school dressed in the correct school uniform each day. Please refer to the school uniform policy on the school website and if you require any support with the uniform, please contact the school.

I will be writing to parents/carers in the next few weeks of the academic year to share with you further updates on the work we are undertaking at Jewellery Quarter Academy and with some dates and times for Parent/Carer Forums for you to hear my vision for the school and how we can work together to achieve great things for your child and the future of our school.

I look forward to welcoming all students back to Jewellery Quarter Academy on Wednesday 4th September and to meeting parents/carers over the forthcoming term.

Yours Sincerely,

Mr. Henshaw

Headteacher