



Ysgol Uwchradd **Whitmore** High School

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Dear parent/carer,

I hope you have had a restful holiday and are as excited as we are for the return to school in September. **Monday the 5th of September** is a designated Inset day for Vale schools. As in previous years there will be a staggered start to the Autumn Term. This will be arranged as follows:

Tuesday 6th September – Year 7 and Year 11 (Year 12/13 registration for sixth form)

Wednesday 7th September – All year groups (Yr7 – Yr13)

We are intending to build on our excellent inspection report and continue to push the standards of all pupils at Whitmore. This begins with greater emphasis on the standards of uniform, especially the correct footwear for the new term. We must stress that all footwear needs to be plain black, with no elements of colour on the shoe. Please check the uniform guidance on our website if you are unsure. We will be checking school uniform closely when pupils return in September, with all pupils being challenged if school uniform is not correct or appropriate. There have been concerns about pupils wearing jeans, leggings and tube skirts. Post Covid, we will now return to a far stricter approach to uniform standards. We would be grateful for your continuing support on this matter.

If you have any concerns or queries about your child's return to Whitmore this September, please contact the school on Monday 5th of September and we will endeavour to help you with any issues you might have.

We are looking forward to the return of all our pupils, new and established, and the exciting challenges that a new year brings.

Innes Robinson
Head Teacher