



THE BISHOP OF HEREFORD'S BLUECOAT SCHOOL

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Re: Welcome and Year 7 Start of Term Review

As we complete our second full week of the new academic year, I wanted to write and share how delightful it has been to see our new Year 7 students settling into secondary school life at Bishop's.

The transition to secondary school is a significant milestone, and Year 7 students have risen to the occasion brilliantly. They have quickly found their way around the school site, getting to grips with how our timetable works, and growing accustomed to our daily routines. Beyond the classroom, it has been wonderful to see so many students taking full advantage of the school's facilities, not just during lessons but also throughout their break and lunchtimes.

I have been immensely impressed by their politeness, maturity, and adaptability over these past two weeks. They have brought a fantastic energy to the school, and they should be very proud of the positive start they have made.

Can I take this opportunity to remind you that our extra-curricular clubs and activities are now starting up across the school. We strongly encourage as many Year 7 students as possible to participate and get involved in something new, whether in sports, the arts, or academic clubs. Please check our school website and student notices for full details and schedules.

At Bishop's, we know that a strong partnership between home and school is essential for our students to flourish. To further strengthen this bond, I am pleased to share details about our Parent Forum.

The forum serves as a consultative body, providing a platform for parent representatives to share views on school-wide strategic issues—such as policies, curriculum changes, and improvement plans—directly with the Senior Leadership Team and Governing Body.

- We are seeking two parent/carer representatives for each year group across the school and require Year 7 representation.
- We ask that members attend three scheduled meetings per academic year.
- Please note that to ensure broad representation, individuals cannot hold both a Parent Governor position and a Parent Forum role simultaneously.

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- If nominations exceed available places, representatives will be selected to ensure equal year-group balance and reflect the diversity of our student body.

If you are interested in helping shape the future direction of our school, please submit a self-nomination using the Microsoft Forms link below:

[BHBS Parent/Carer Forum - Self Nomination Form – Fill in form](#)

Please can I ask that self-nominations are completed by 9am on Monday 28th September.

Key Dates for Your Diary

- **Year 7 Form Tutor Evening:** Tuesday, 13th October (further details regarding timings and booking will be shared by Mrs Bunston).
- **Autumn Fayre:** Friday, 16th October.

Thank you for your continued support as your children begin their journey with us.

Yours sincerely,



Mr T Williams

Headteacher