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Dear Parents and Carers

With the summer holidays fast approaching we need to turn our attention to the new academic year from September and continue to set high expectations and aspirations for our students.

Year 11 students have now left after sitting 16 GCSE exams this term, double that of last year. To further our expectations of students, from Year 9 students will all be studying full GCSE syllabuses and be participating in mock examinations. This is to prepare them better than ever before for future challenges. For added clarity, only Year 7 and 8 students will be studying KS3 courses.

You may recall the letter I sent prior to half-term outlining our expectations as the year progresses. I have enclosed a copy of our home-school agreement to remind you of our joint expectations across the school community.

From September 2018 the following expectations will be in place and we would appreciate you sharing these changes with your son as soon as possible - we are already talking about it at school.

- **All** students must be wearing school uniform, unless they are attending college or work experience. Our existing uniform will be phased out over the coming year. The LWS hoodie and coloured t-shirts (orange/green) are valid if students have them or ordered them, however, any replacement and/or new uniform requirements will be plain black jumpers (this can have a zipped front or neck) and plain t-shirt or polo shirt underneath of any colour, with dark trousers or tracksuit bottoms, dark trainers or shoes. An LWS branded jumper/zipped top will be available to purchase if requested. Student support assistants have requested to wear LWS blazers when on duty, these will be provided by the school if the decision is made to use them.
- Mobile phones and electronic tablets are not to be brought into school. If they are found they may be confiscated - parents and carers must ensure that students do not bring them to school.
- There is no requirement for students to bring bags to school unless otherwise requested by school staff or parents/carers.

We need parents and carers to support these actions. Students who fail to follow these expectations will be supported through the consequences of their actions, but persistent breaking of these expectations may result in more serious action. If you do have any questions or concerns regarding these expectations then please contact the school to discuss these on the phone or in person.

We do have some sad news for all at LWS. Miss Page and Mrs Beal will be leaving us this summer. They take with them over 20 years experience of working at LWS and will be sorely missed by all. We wish them all the very best in their future challenges.

Finally, on behalf of all at LWS we wish you a fantastic summer and look forward to working with you all in the new academic year.

Yours sincerely

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