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Dear Parents and Carers,

What an amazing week with our new Year 7s joining us on Thursday and Friday this week as part of their transition. The fantastic transition team have ensured that the students have started really well with the careful planning and feeder primary meetings sharing key information meaning that the students got the excellent experience that they deserve. This culminated in a Parents Evening yesterday evening in which the Waseley main hall has never been so full as the families of the biggest year group in the school got together to prepare for September.

Our Year 9 football team played an internal fixture against the Year 10 football team this week. The dedication and time put into these sessions by the staff make a real difference. The fixture was competitive, but the Year 10s came out on top with a 5-2 victory which I am sure they will mention frequently over the next two weeks. The Year 9 students also took part in a community Art Project with the visiting artists coming into school on Wednesday. The students loved engaging in a project that gives back to the local community and we will keep you updated as the work progresses over the next few months.

Year 9 and 10 dancers attended a Dance Festival hosted by Bromsgrove School. They performed a contemporary dance number demonstrating excellent skills with confidence. Mrs Bridgeman and everyone at school was really proud of their achievements in performing in front of an audience they didn't know. The girls were really happy to take away a souvenir t-shirt and we look forward to supporting them with the next one.

We began our men's mental health focus fortnight with tutor time themed discussions and an assembly designed and organised by our student committee which set students the 3-word challenge. The Year 10 Child Development students took part in a live observation with Mr Blatherwick bringing his son Zac to help students see their theoretical learnings in practice. Needless to say, the students loved taking part and will, no doubt, remember this part of the course better than any other section. Our GCSE Drama cohort in Year 10 performed their coursework pieces yesterday during school and then presented their pieces to parents and carers in the evening. They excelled and many managed to perform brilliantly despite being nervous and pushed outside of their comfort zone. It was lovely to see how many felt that sense of achievement when they successfully completed it under pressure.

We say our final goodbyes to our Year 13 cohort this evening as they have their Prom. I would like to thank them for their exemplary role modelling to other students this year and we wish them all enormous success in their future endeavours.

Please save the date for our community event on Thursday 19th September where we plan to bring together our fantastic community; both Waseley students and families in Rubery who do not attend our school. A leaflet is attached giving more information.

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Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Preston', written in a cursive style.

Mr Preston
Head of School