



Dear Parents and Carers,

22<sup>nd</sup> May 2026

The sun has arrived at a perfect time for our community to enjoy as we head into the half term holiday. The timing could not be better as we have seen our young people work incredibly hard whether that be in A-level and GCSE examinations or EBACC assessments. The students have certainly earned their rest as have the staff who have dedicated so much effort to prepare the students for their assessments.

### **Community Collaboration**

This week allows us to share some exciting news on the community collaboration that has been so strong this year. An important part of our school is taking on feedback from parents/carers, students and staff and making changes to provide the best possible education for our community. This year we have consulted with the community on a number of things and I am pleased to share with you the results of some of these today. I would like to thank you for taking the time to consider, provide questions and challenge and suggestions for how we can continue to make Waseley Hills High School a better place for your young people. We will continue to seek your input and value the feedback.

### **Changes to the school day**

I am pleased to share with you that after consultation with both staff and parents we will be moving to a 5 period timetable next year. Both staff and parents fed back to us and were clear in their support for the movement to the new timetable. I would like to thank the community for their input and feedback during the process. We are in discussion around some of the suggestions and considerations in how we can effectively transition to this new model in September 2026 for the 2026-27 academic year. When I spoke to the Governing board about the proposal I was clear that I felt it important that parents and carers get to feed their thoughts into the decision-making process and they agreed this to be the right step in continuing to build a strong connection between parents/carers and the school. This allows us to work together to improve and constantly review the educational provision we provide at Waseley so for your time to support the process. A reminder that the starts and end to the day will remain unchanged, and we took on the feedback that the end of day tutor time should be shorted to accommodate large group assemblies in the morning so we have tweaked accordingly.

### **School Council and our school values**

At the start of this academic year we asked the student council representatives to evaluate the effectiveness of our current school values of Aspire, Invest and Respect. We wanted to ensure that the student body believed in them being the right choice for our school and ahead of the new build where we plan to utilise the building to showcase our values, ensure that students felt they were apart of the values. The school council held meetings to discuss the meaning of the words, whether there were need for changes and created a number of suggestions. These were discussed with the Senior Leadership of the school and presented as ideas created by the students. As part of our push on the British Values of democracy, we ensured that all students were part of the voting to pick the values that they felt best represented Waseley Hills High School. Our student body have chosen and voted for our values to be **Respect, Inspire, Support** and **Excel**. We will continue to develop over the next few months, branding to reflect the

students choices but they made it abundantly clear that they wanted **Respect** to be at the forefront of our school values and we are incredibly proud to see their choice demonstrate the student agency that is so tangible within our school. We look forward to the artists among the students creating work to showcase our values, some of which we be used around the new build walls. We will start the 2026-27 academic year with these school values representing our school. Well done to the student council supported by Miss Ashley for leading our school through such important decisions.

We hope that you all have a wonderful half term break and look forward to welcoming students back on Monday 1<sup>st</sup> June 2026.

Kind regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'T Preston', written in a cursive style.

Mr T Preston  
Principal