



# Wolstanton High School'

A Shaw Education Trust Academy



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Dear Parents, Guardians and Carers

As you are aware, the beginning of this half term saw some changes to the Senior Leadership Team at Wolstanton High School. Mrs Farrent, Head of School, and I, are delighted to be working with the team to help ensure that every young person in our school achieves their own personal standard of excellence.

A key part of the jigsaw in ensuring this success, is working in partnership with yourselves as parents and carers. We want what you want – the very best for all of our young people. With this in mind, we are keen to meet with you to gather your views and ideas and to discuss with you some thoughts around developments in school. There are a number of opportunities to meet with us as follows:

**'Coffee break' meetings:** 16<sup>th</sup> March - 11:30-12:15; 24<sup>th</sup> March - 11:30-12:15

**Evening meeting:** 30<sup>th</sup> March - 5:30-6:30 pm

In order to be able to effectively plan for these events, it is very important that we have an idea of the numbers attending. We would therefore ask that if you would like to join us for one of the meetings, please complete the slip below and return it via your child's form tutor by **Monday 13<sup>th</sup> March**.

In writing to you, we would also like to take this opportunity to remind you of some expectations around uniform and appearance. The vast majority of our young people wear their uniform with pride and look immensely smart. They are tremendous ambassadors for you and the school. Some however do attempt to 'personalise' their uniform by wearing non-school items and this causes issues for both families and school. I hope the information below clarifies some key aspects and is of help in supporting your child:

- **Footwear – must be black** – no coloured trainers or items with sporting logos. From Monday 13<sup>th</sup> March, if a child arrives in unsuitable footwear, they will be issued with school footwear which has been sanitised, to wear during the school day. **From September 2017**, the school uniform policy will state that footwear must be **black shoes only** – no trainers, pumps or boots. We appreciate that pumps have been allowed historically and do not wish to cause additional expense with a short deadline. If you are however replacing your child's school footwear in the next few weeks or months, we would ask that you replace it with black shoes only, in readiness for September.
- **Jewellery** – the school policy is that pupils are allowed to wear a watch and one small pair of earrings (sleepers or studs); no other jewellery or piercings. Pupils will be asked to remove any additional items of jewellery; if items are repeatedly being worn, they will be kept in the school safe for collection by parents or carers and sanctions for pupils will follow.
- **Jumpers** – sweatshirts and hooded tops are not allowed in school. The policy is a V-neck sweater only please. This is currently grey or black but from September, will be black only.

We are resolute in our determination to ensure that all that we do at Wolstanton is of the highest standard. This will ensure that all of our children are supported to be the best that they can be and enjoy the benefit of high quality education as they move forward in life. We cannot do it without your help. Thank you in advance for your support for your child and for school – together we will achieve the very best for all.

We look forward to meeting you.

Yours sincerely

**Mrs J Yarwood**  
Executive Principal

**Mrs D Farrent**  
Head of School



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Reply Slip**

**Child's name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Year group:** \_\_\_\_\_

I/we would like to attend the meeting on (**Please tick the date that you would like to attend**):

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The number of people attending from my family is \_\_\_\_\_

Signed \_\_\_\_\_ Parent/Guardian/Carer