



Friday 1st September 2023

Dear Parent/Carer

A warm welcome on your return to Cox Green School from the Trustees and all our staff at the start of this academic year.

An important aspect of returning to school is the re-establishment of a routine, a routine that provides a secure and supportive environment, one that is consistent and something that every student can rely upon. But unlike many routines, school is also a vibrant place to be, one full of expectation, constantly introducing new experiences and of course knowledge. The social aspects of school life are key in ensuring that our young people are happy within themselves and in their school environment. A contented student, is a person both willing to work their best and with great potential to learn.

Our vision at Cox Green, is to be a community school, proud of its students and staff. Our ambition is that everyone at our school has the opportunity to develop as individuals within a safe supportive environment. If our students progress from Cox Green as well-rounded citizens with the life skills and qualifications to be successful in their next steps, then we have succeeded in our role.

We are committed in our vision in developing a culture of success. We want our students to be confident, caring citizens of Cox Green School and within the community. We aim to foster a culture where individuals aspire to the very best they can be in their learning, as well as individuals. We offer a curriculum that is broad, enriched, exciting and ambitious, allowing a choice of pathway, in consultation with parents, that might best suit an individual's interests and abilities.

As Trustees we are members of the school's Governing Board. A primary role for us is that of advising senior leaders, and in being able to do this effectively, we monitor not only academic matters but those of school life. We necessarily have statutory responsibilities to meet, but as individual members, we are both conscious of and most interested in how the young people in our charge progress academically and as individuals within the community. We also ensure that they are safe and content within the school environment. In this task, we look toward the support of our parents in the application of school rules and guidance, that are so important in ensuring an ordered and secure environment. If you have matters you might wish us to consider please do get in touch with our governance professional adviser, Lorna Coe, who can be contacted through school.

We all wish Danny Edwards, the Leadership Team and every one of our staff a successful year. Success will ultimately be measured through the achievements of qualifications that enable progression into higher study, directly into the world of work, or a combination of both. Everyone on the staff team contributes to this success and has students at the heart of their roles.

There are so many additional facets to an education: becoming involved in sport; creativity through art, drama and music; demonstrating personal initiative; working within the community and fundraising; helping others and being a good supportive friend. These are often the unsung elements of a successful and happy community school; Cox Green is such a school.

The start of a new year is an exciting time, full of expectation. We look forward as Trustees, in working with and supporting Danny Edwards and his colleagues in the year ahead.

Yours sincerely

Peter Thorn, Chair of The Trustees and Wen-Lan Richard, Vice- Chair of the Trustees