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Dear Parent/Carer,

Staff at Farlingaye have been working hard today to prepare for the start of the new term, and we are very much looking forward to welcoming all our students back to school next week. I would like to remind you of the arrangements for the start of the year for students, and to provide you with some key information.

The start dates and times for students are as follows:

- **Y7 and Y12 – 8.50 arrival for an 8.55 start on Monday 5<sup>th</sup> September**
- **Y8, Y9, Y10, Y11 and Y13 – 8.50 arrival for an 8.55 start on Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> September.**

On arrival, all students will go to their form rooms, with the exception of Y12, who will go to the New Hall for their introductory assembly. Please see this link for information about where all form groups are based: <http://www.farlingaye.suffolk.sch.uk/Tutor-Teams-2022/>. Where two rooms are listed for a tutor group, students should go to the first one mentioned (i.e. the one noted in the left-hand column – for example, M5 for 9A). The use of these additional rooms is a temporary arrangement, set up to allow all Y7 groups to be based in the Humanities block for the first few weeks of term.

Students should be equipped for lessons and in full uniform from their first day onwards. However, we are aware that some families may be finding it difficult at the moment to buy the equipment and uniform that their children will need for school. If this is the case for you, please do not hesitate to contact your child's Head of Year to make them aware of any issues. We will support you in any way we can.

One way in which we will be looking to support families during these challenging times is by increasing their access to free or low-cost uniform items. If you are in a position to donate to the school any used uniform items that are in good condition, in order to support this drive, please ask your child to hand these in at reception. We are currently investigating other ways in which we can support our families through the cost-of-living crisis and will send you more information on this in due course.

Please note that individual school photographs will be taken on **Friday 9<sup>th</sup> September**. All students should be in uniform, or in clothes in line with the Sixth Form dress code.

I hope that your child is looking forward to starting their term next week. If there is anything about the arrangements for the start of term which is causing you concern, please contact your child's Head of Year in the first instance. If you are not able to access your child's Head of Year, or are not able to get a solution to any problems you have raised, please do contact me via email ([asievewright@farlingaye.suffolk.sch.uk](mailto:asievewright@farlingaye.suffolk.sch.uk)).

The last two years at Farlingaye have been, as they have for all schools, extraordinary and very challenging. However, the great majority of our students have worked hard and well and have made the most of the

opportunities we have continued to offer them. All of this was reflected in the very strong exam results we had in the summer. We look forward to what we hope will be a much more 'normal' year, during which we can work with our families to ensure our students thrive and achieve even more success. Thank you for your ongoing support.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'AS', written in a cursive style.

Andy Sievewright

**Andrew Sievewright**  
**Headteacher**  
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