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## Dear Parent/Carer

I am pleased to be able to write with an exciting update on the arrangements for leadership of the Sixth Form.

I am delighted to announce that Mr Greg Williams has been appointed Director of the Sixth Form. Mr Williams is an exceptional post-16 leader and we believe his skills and experience make him an excellent fit for LFATSF. He has been fortunate to be able to spend time getting to know the Sixth Form already and will continue to be a regular visitor until formally joining us next month.

In order to support the development of the Sixth Form, I took up an Executive Principal role at the start of this term. This allowed Dr Clark to complete her time with us at Christmas in advance of taking on her new position as Principal of a UTC in Sheffield, and we wish her well in this role.

Mr Nick Haddon from Landau Forte QEMS will be providing additional leadership support at Tamworth Sixth Form this year, particularly in the short period before Mr Williams joins us. Mr Haddon is a talented leader and I am pleased he has agreed to take this step in his career with us.

In my time as Chief Executive I have been extremely impressed by the young people here. They are ambitious, talented and proud to be students of the Sixth Form. Their tutors and support staff are equally impressive and are highly dedicated to the academic progress and happiness of the students.

I believe that Landau Forte Academy Sixth Form has a number of existing strengths and a huge amount of potential, and I am excited to be part of the team that will lead its next stage of development. My expectations of the students in terms of their achievement and independent learning skills are therefore very high.

The relationships between students, parents and carers and tutors are fundamental to the success of the Sixth Form. Working together we will ensure that students enjoy their time here and are equipped for further study, training and the world of work as successful young adults.

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With this in mind, I would really value your continuing support in ensuring that all students wear their Business Dress with pride and are punctual every day. Some students have told us that they would like to make use of home study opportunities when their lesson occurs at the end of the day and we will only be able to offer this to those students who are performing well and meeting deadlines. We will be writing to you shortly about proposals to allow students to study at home provided this has the agreement of families and the student's tutor.

May I take this opportunity to wish you a Happy New Year. Please do not hesitate to contact myself or any of the staff at the Sixth Form if you have any questions.

Yours sincerely

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**Executive Principal and Chief Executive**