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Dear Parents and Carers,

Firstly, we would like to welcome you to the Tamworth Sixth Form community. In partnership, we will ensure that your son / daughter achieves academic and personal success in the coming years, which will result in them being fully prepared for their next steps – whether that is a place at university, in training, on a challenging apprenticeship or straight into employment.

We value your views on each and every aspect of our provision and encourage, indeed invite, regular contact with staff members at the Academy. If you wish to make an appointment with a member of staff here, please do, using the following details: Email post@lfatsf.org.uk or telephone 01827 301820.

2016/17 saw the Academy's best results ever. Students' attainment rose significantly, with the number of A* - A grades doubling and almost half of grades for A levels receiving a grade A* - B. In vocational qualifications, nearly 80% of students attained a Distinction or better, placing Tamworth Sixth Form in the top 1% of schools nationally for progress. We are thoroughly proud of our learners' successes and wish the current cohort the very best this year. We also recognise the incredible contribution that our dedicated team of staff members made to this outcome; a team that is prepared this year, again, to do what it takes to support students in reaching their many goals.

The start of the academic year 2017/18 has been extremely positive and we welcome a new cohort of learners, including your son / daughter. Students have already shown high levels of dedication to their studies and personal development – as well as great enthusiasm towards our activity day at Whitemoor Lakes last week, which, despite the weather, was a wonderful experience.

Recently, all learners were able to give us feedback on the start of the year and we are delighted to say that their comments were overwhelmingly positive. We are always pleased to hear and see this response. In response to their feedback, we have made a change to our 'Home Study Agreement' arrangements (see attached), which will now begin on Tuesday 12 September.

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The following is now compulsory for all Year 12 students:

Monday:	Tuesday:	Wednesday:	Thursday:	Friday:
N/A	Assembly 0830 - 0850	1-2-1 Sessions with Tutor 0830 - 0850* Tutorial Hour 1210 - 1400 (inc. 50 minutes for lunch) Enrichment 1400 - 1500^	1-2-1 Sessions with Tutor 0830 - 0850*	N/A

*Tutors will give appointments to students, once per half term.

^Begins October; includes a range of activities that develop personal skills.

On Thursday 14 September, we would like to invite all parents and carers of Year 12 students to the Academy, for an information and guidance afternoon / evening. At the event, we will explore topics including:

- **The aims of the Academy;**
- **General information about our Programme of Study;**
- **What it means to be an effective Sixth Form learner / how to support your child with their learning;**
- **Post 18 pathways.**

The time will also give you an opportunity to ask questions after the main presentation and several Senior and Pastoral Leaders will be available to answer your queries.

There are two scheduled sessions: one at 1630 - 1715 and a second session from 1745 - 1830. Parents and carers are welcome to turn up to either without appointment. We would be grateful if you could please arrive at the Academy no later than five minutes before each session, so that we can guide you to your seats and begin promptly.

We will write to you again very soon, with the latest updates from Tamworth Sixth Form and look forward to working with you. Thank you.

Yours sincerely,



Mr G Williams
Director of Sixth Form