Abbot Beyne School

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Dear Parents and Carers

We have had a fantastic first week back at school. I am soon on my way to visit our Year 7 students on their final day at Whitemoor Lakes. I hope they are not too tired and grumpy when they return home to you tonight. I also had the privilege of presenting this week at the Staffordshire School's Conference about our successful Onward Together Community Day which all of our Year 7 students took part in.

Over the last few weeks we received some amazing news regarding improvements we have made at the school that I wanted to share with you. We have been recognised in the top 2% of schools nationally for our improvement in GCSE grades last year (Attainment 8) and in the top 10% of schools for improvements in attendance. Our current projections show that we will beat these figures again next year. We could not achieve this without your support so please allow me to thank you on behalf of all the staff and governors at the school.

Over the holiday I finished reading your responses to the school survey. I believe everyone who left their details on the survey should now have been contacted. The main topic I want to review from the survey is our communication with you. A small number of parents raised that they have been in touch with the school and not received a response. I often state that you may not always agree with our response, but I do believe we should always respond. Our policy states you should usually receive a response within 24 hours, but sometimes it may be 48 hours. Like all businesses and organisations, all staff members at the school have a line manager and for me that is the Chair of Governors. If you do not receive a response, and I will say the easiest way to contact us is by email so the chain of emails can easily be seen, please do contact me and I will forward your email to the member of staff's line manager to contact you.

As stated before we broke up, our Key Stage 3 assessment fortnight starts next week. Please ensure your son / daughter is in school every day they can be to complete these assessments. Next week we also have the privilege of meeting around 300 Year 5 students as they start their transition work to Abbot Beyne School. I look forward to meeting them.

Kind regards

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