

SOUTHEND HIGH SCHOOL FOR BOYS

ACADEMY GRAMMAR SCHOOL

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Dear Parents/Carers

A message to Year 7

As we move towards the end of a fantastic first year, I wanted to take the opportunity to thank Mr Imbush for the incredible job he has done leading Year 7 through their induction into Southend High School for Boys. From the very beginning, Mr Imbush has worked tirelessly to ensure that all pupils have felt happy, safe, secure, and fully supported as they settled into life at SHSB. Alongside the form tutors, he has helped students understand our school ethos and values and has superbly guided them through this important first year.

The transition from primary to secondary school is a significant step, and it has been fantastic to see how well Year 7 have settled into life at the school. They have embraced new routines, friendships, opportunities, and challenges with maturity and enthusiasm, and they should be very proud of all they have achieved this year. The Stubbers trip in October was certainly one of the highlights of the year.

We are incredibly pleased with how the year group has integrated into the wider school community, whether through attending clubs and enrichment activities, representing the school in sporting fixtures, or participating enthusiastically in inter-house competitions throughout the year. It has been a pleasure to watch their confidence and independence grow over the course of the year.

We would also like to thank parents and carers for all of your continued support throughout your son's first year at SHSB. Your partnership with the school has played an important role in helping the year group have such a successful and positive first year.

As always, Mr Imbush will now begin the process of welcoming and inducting our new incoming Year 7 students. This means that, from the first day back after half term, Year 7 will have a new Year Leader.

We are delighted to announce that from 1st June and throughout Year 8, Mr Brewer will become your son's Year Leader. Under his guidance, experience, and support, we are very much looking forward to continuing to work closely with students, tutors, teachers, and parents over the coming years.

As students move further through Key Stage 3 and begin to look ahead towards their GCSE options, we are excited to help guide them not only academically, but also in their wider personal growth and development. Southend High School for Boys offers a huge range of opportunities, and we look forward to supporting students as they continue to grow both inside and outside the classroom.



Finally, although the year group leadership will now move across to Mr Brewer, Miss Keogh will continue to be a key point of contact for students and families. Miss Keogh has played an enormous role in helping to guide, organise, administer, and communicate with students and parents on a daily basis, and we are incredibly grateful that she will continue to provide that support moving forward. If parents or students have any initial concerns, Miss Keogh will still very much be there to help and support you.

We would like to wish all of Year 7 the very best as they move into Year 8, and we look forward to supporting them in the next stage of their journey at SHSB.

Yours sincerely,

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Mr Brandon & Mr Imbush