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Dear Parents and Carers,

I am delighted to introduce myself as the new **Director of Student Achievement for Year 10** at Waverley School.

In this role I will be working closely with the Year 10 team to support students in making the very best academic and personal progress they can throughout this important stage of their education. My primary focus will be on **student achievement, progress and removing barriers to success**. I will work closely with students, teachers, pastoral staff and families to identify where additional support may be needed and to celebrate the progress and successes of our students.

I will be particularly focused on three key areas:

- **Attendance** – ensuring students understand that every lesson matters and that being present and ready to learn gives them the best possible opportunity to succeed.
- **Academic progress** – using information about students' learning and progress to identify where they may need additional support, challenge or intervention.
- **Positive habits** – helping students develop the organisation, resilience, independence and consistency they need to be successful both now and as they move towards their GCSEs and beyond.

I believe that true achievement is about more than simply achieving results. It is about developing confidence, resilience, independence and positive habits that enable young people to make progress, overcome challenges and fulfil their potential.

If you have any questions or concerns relating specifically to your child's **academic progress, achievement or support with learning**, please feel free to contact me via DOSA10@waverley.bham.sch.uk.

If your query relates to **pastoral support, behaviour, wellbeing or day-to-day concerns**, please continue to contact your child's Head of Year Mr Wray via HOYMrWray@waverley.bham.sch.uk who will remain your main point of contact for these areas.

I look forward to working closely with you and your child throughout Year 10.

Yours sincerely,

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