

5th September 2017

Dear Parents and Carers,

I am delighted and honoured to be appointed as the new Headteacher for Broadoak Mathematics and Computing College, and I am very keen to get to know parents and carers, as well as the pupils and staff.

From my experience of being in education, I know that a successful and happy school depends on all of us working together. By working together we can ensure that all students enjoy their time at school, make excellent progress and leave us with the necessary skills and attitudes to lead successful and fulfilling lives.

It is important that we are all ambitious for our young people and I know that our students will always respond positively to a challenge. So, to help your child get off to a positive and successful start, your ongoing support with the following would be greatly appreciated.

Attendance

Did you know that students with 90% attendance miss on average half a day a week of lessons? That represents half a year over their five years at Broadoak. Students with 96% attendance or more are twice as likely to meet their goals and have the best chance of academic success.

Punctuality

Being on time gets a student's day off to a good start and puts them in a positive frame of mind, so that they can make the most of their learning opportunities. It also sets positive patterns for the future, develops their sense of responsibility and is a key factor in their success at school. At Broadoak all students should be in their tutor base and ready to learn by 8.45am.

Uniform

We expect all students to represent the school well and wear their uniform with pride. We make uniform a priority in terms of having high expectations of our students. Any student wearing incorrect uniform items including unauthorised jewellery or heavy make-up will be challenged.

Personal Best Expectations

To ensure all our community experience a calm, focused and supportive environment in school, we insist on all students following our personal best expectations. This means arriving on time for lessons with equipment, speaking to everyone politely and with respect, taking responsibility for their learning, following staff instructions and caring for our college environment. With all members of the school following these, all our young people can expect to progress and achieve feeling happy and safe.

Thank you very much for taking the time to read this letter and thank you in advance for your support. I am determined to do the very best for Broadoak, I will always put students first when making decisions and I feel privileged to be leading the school.

I look forward to having an opportunity to meet you and discuss the building of a successful partnership.

Yours faithfully,



Ms K McGillicuddy
Headteacher

'Maximising students' abilities, ambitions and academic potential'