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Dear students, parents and carers,

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It has been a very positive start to the new school year at Faringdon Community College.

The commitment, care and dedication of the FCC staff team has stood out since I first started to work with the school. The September INSET days enabled us to work closely together as a staff team, with our four values of belong, believe, aspire, achieve supporting our ambitious and inclusive aims for the year ahead.

It was wonderful to welcome our Year 7s and our Year 12s on Wednesday, both groups beginning a special phase of their FCC adventure. The engagement and attitude of Year 7 has been noted by staff across the school as they enjoy new experiences and start to find their way in and around FCC. Building on their GCSE success, the intake to Year 12 is very positive, and the special events and activities that make FCC 6th Form such a vibrant destination have already begun.

Assemblies for each year group have welcomed everyone back, set the tone and shared our school values. It is heartening and impressive to see how well students have settled back into life at FCC, working purposefully in classes and enjoying their social time together.

Our Open Evening on Thursday 3 October will be a chance to share FCC with our wider community. We also aim to develop our regular communication with parents and carers to celebrate the rich range of opportunities at FCC and the achievements and contribution of our students. We started our INSET and assemblies with a presentation looking back on 100 activities from 2023-4, and we look forward to another year of our students shining with special events and in their day-to-day experiences at FCC.

I would personally like to thank students for their warm welcome, and I look forward to getting to meet more parents as the term unfolds. Along with all of the staff at FCC, I am very excited about all that we will achieve together in the coming weeks and months, drawing on the established strengths of Faringdon Community College to build belonging and belief for everyone, inspiring aspiration and nurturing achievement.

Yours sincerely Jonathan Dennett Headteacher



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