

Dear Year 6 Pupils,

Welcome to Year 6 students from Mr Dyer, Vice Principal

Firstly I would like to take this opportunity to welcome you all to our community at Wey Valley Academy.

Here at Wey Valley we believe that every student should have the opportunity to achieve to their highest potential. You should all have the opportunity to have the best chances in life and it is our responsibility to make sure that you can achieve the best in everything you would like to do. We aim to ensure that you have every opportunity, both in our Academy and outside, to learn and develop throughout your journey with us.

Over the next 5 years you will have a team of staff supporting you in your journey - your teachers, your tutor and a range of other staff – all working to make sure you are able to study to your best and prepare you for your journey towards your formal assessments and exams.

Curriculum and Options

When you join us in September, you will study a broad and exciting range of subjects! As well as English Language and Literature, Maths and Science, these include Art, Technology, Drama, Dance, Music, French, Spanish and many more. You will also have lessons where you will have the opportunity to discuss the big topics and themes important for preparing you for your future.

As you progress through the Academy you will have the chance to specialise in a range of options subjects – you will be able to choose the direction of the journey that you wish to take in life. Our team will be supporting you every step of the journey enabling you to make informed decisions.

Quality of Education

During your time here at Wey Valley, you will have fantastic teachers who are specialists in their subject areas and have a passion for your learning. They will be there to support you in your journey to learn the knowledge, master the concepts and develop the skills needed to be successful. Working together with Mr Neill (Vice Principal – Standards) and Mrs Parkes (Assistant Principal – Teaching and Learning), it's our job to make sure that you learn and remember more so that you are able to achieve to your highest.

We will also be talking with you on *why* we go to school, the *purpose* of education, and what the end goal of learning is. We will be speaking to you about this in September!

Assessment and Reporting

Assessment is essential to helping us know what you do and don't know, so that we can give you personalised feedback to help you improve. Feedback takes many forms, and at Wey Valley you will find that we use a range of different types of assessment that are designed to enable you to show us how well you are learning and how we can help you improve.

I will be working with Mr Neill to make sure that you are making progress in your lessons, and that very importantly we recognise your efforts and success and you move forward in your journey. We will be there to celebrate your achievements and to support you if you need help in getting the most from your lessons.

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We will also make sure that we keep your parents informed of how well you are getting on, celebrating your successes, and discussing ways that we can support you.

We will do this in a number of ways including: parent evenings, parent information evenings and contact from your tutors and teachers throughout your time here.

Finally...

Our motto is 'Outstanding achievement for All'. That means ensuring you have the opportunity to excel in any area that you choose, either inside or outside of the classroom, and ensuring that you are equipped and prepared for what the future brings.

I look forward to meeting you all on our Transition Day in July, in our Summer School in August, and then welcoming you to the Academy in September. We are all looking forward to hearing about your hobbies and interests, your ambitions and aspirations for the future and how we can make sure that you get the most from your journey at our fantastic school!

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Mr Dyer".

Mr Dyer

Vice Principal for Standards

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