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To: Parents and Carers

Dear Parents/ Carers

I am writing to you regarding expectations for the start of the new term in September. I hope you and your families are having a restful summer.

In September, we will all return to West Lakes Academy. Some aspects of academy life will be different.

Equipment

Students will need to have their own equipment as they will be unable to borrow from their peers. It is important the students have the following equipment each and every day:

- a pencil case
- black pens
- pencils
- a ruler
- red pens for completing self-assessment
- blue pens for completing peer assessment
- a rubber and a pencil sharpener
- a calculator
- a compass and a protractor
- highlighters
- Their iPad, which needs to be fully charged (new Year 7 students will receive their iPads during their first week at the academy)

Students' equipment will be checked daily by their tutor.

Uploading money on to students' accounts

Students will be able to purchase food from servery points around the academy. To assist us and our systems with this and to limit cash handling, it would be helpful if parents/ carers can preload money on to students' accounts via the Parent Mail system prior to returning in September. If you need any support or help with this, please contact: finance@westlakesmat.org.uk.

Our new students in Year 7 and 12 will receive information about their Parent Mail logins during the first few weeks at the academy. Our new students will be able to upload their money via the machines in school.

Uniform

As you know, our students are extremely smart and we place the highest regard on their personal presentation and the way they wear their uniform. Please can I take the opportunity to remind you of our uniform policy which can be found here: <http://www.westlakesacademy.org.uk/about-us/general-information/school-uniform/>

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Our standards and expectations are high and we value parent/carer support in ensuring their child meets our uniform expectations. Parents/carers and/or students should check with the academy before purchasing items or colouring/styling hair if they are unsure of whether the item/hairstyle/hair colour will meet with our expectations.

To order uniform and for uniform queries, please visit www.oneidentity.co.uk or telephone Identity on 01229 823584. More information on this can be found on our website by following this link: <http://www.westlakesacademy.org.uk/about-us/general-information/school-uniform/>

If you have any questions or are worried about sourcing the equipment/ uniform needed for our return to school, please contact me via my email address relphm@westlakesmat.org.uk or by calling the academy on 01946 820356. Please do let us know if we can further help or support.

We are very excited to see our students and we are looking forward to having everyone back together once again.

Yours sincerely



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