

Dear Parents and Carers,

As the academic year and my first year as headteacher draws to a close, I want to take this opportunity to thank you for your continued support and partnership throughout the year. It has been a rewarding and productive year, filled with new opportunities, learning, and achievement across all year groups.

We are proud of the resilience, determination, and enthusiasm our students have demonstrated—both inside and outside the classroom. Whether through academic progress, artistic performances, sporting achievements, or supporting our academy community, our students have continued to make us proud and represent the values we hold dear as an academy.

We also want to acknowledge and thank you, our parents and carers, for the vital role you play in your child's education. Your support at home, your engagement with school events, and your collaboration with teachers have all contributed to the success of our students.

This year, we've celebrated many milestones, including:

- **The refurbishment of our school building, we are now in the final stages, and we hope to have all works completed by our return on the 3rd September.**
- **Key Stage 3 Sports Day at Tipton, Year 7 Residential and Culture Day have all been key features of our summer term.**
- **Securing our partnership with the Rigby Foundation and being selected to be part of their Inspiring Futures Project which will launch in September.**

We are also excited about what lies ahead. Planning is already underway for the next academic year, and we are committed to building on our successes and continuing to provide a safe, inclusive, and stimulating environment for every student.

At the end of this term, we will say goodbye to some staff members who are moving on to new opportunities and we wish them well. But we also welcome new staff into our team from September and we are excited to be fully staffed for September.

A few important reminders:

- **End of Term:** School will close for the summer holidays on **Friday 18th July at 12.30pm.**
- **Start of New Term:** Students will return on **Wednesday 3rd September.** For Year 7 and 11 they should arrive as normal and be in school by 8.35am for Years 8, 9 and 10 they should arrive at the academy by 9.00am.
- **Uniform and Equipment:** Please check our website for updated uniform guidelines and equipment lists for the new academic year.



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Finally, to those staff and students who are moving on from our school community this year, we wish you all the best and hope you leave with fond memories of your time with us at JQA.

Wishing you and your family a restful, joyful summer break and we look forward to seeing you on Wednesday 3rd September 2025.

Kindest Regards,

Jamie Henshaw

Headteacher