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Dear Parent/Carer and Students of Montsaye Academy,

A welcome from the new Principal

It is with great pleasure and enthusiasm that I write to you as the new Principal of Montsaye Academy. I am honoured and delighted to be joining you in September and I very much look forward to meeting you throughout the academic year, 2023-24.

I am a teacher of Languages and have worked in schools across Leicestershire as a senior leader for the past 20 years. I have led in a variety of roles in a range of schools; my most recent as Vice Principal, responsible for Holistic Development at Beauchamp College in Oadby.

Joining Montsaye is a very special privilege, and a duty I will hold with the utmost professionalism. I know that I will be well-supported by an experienced Leadership Team who have been working tirelessly to ensure that Montsaye students have the very best of opportunities and the highest standards of teaching and learning.

I know that all students and staff at Montsaye show the best versions of themselves; they work hard and are ambitious, they take responsibility for their actions and have the courage to face new experiences, demonstrating resilience and determination.

I believe that all young people, no matter their background, have a right to a good education, and within that, opportunities to learn and to grow, to explore more about themselves. I aim to build on the ERA traditions, to ensure there is a rich and ambitious curriculum for all, with advice and guidance which supports next steps so young people can thrive and reach their potential.

From September, the college day starts promptly in line-ups at 8.35am with tutors and Heads of Year so students are appropriately equipped for a successful day having removed barriers to learning. Tutor time will be for 20 minutes with a focus on reading and sharing key information. Students and staff will move around the college in a calm and orderly manner; we will celebrate diversity and ensure everyone has a seat at the table, promoting difference and inclusivity.

Over the next few weeks, before the summer holidays, the dedicated staff at Montsaye will continue to work hard to finalise classes and timetables, engage in professional learning opportunities, and update class routines and expectations, all with the goal of supporting your child to achieve academic success and enjoy their education. In addition, a few projects will be completed or close to being completed so that we have the best possible facilities for students and staff.



Thank you in advance for the support, commitment, and partnership you will give in working with me and the staff at Montsaye, so that our student-centered approach can be even stronger with positive parental engagement.

Wishing you and your families a safe and happy summer, and I look forward to seeing our students back in school after the holiday.

With best wishes,

Deborah Wilson
Principal

