

21 July 2023

Dear Parents/ Carers,

We have reached the end of a very successful year for our Year 7 students. I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate Year 7 on a fantastic first year at Montsaye Academy. As their Progress Leader this year, I have been incredibly proud of how well they have all adapted to secondary school life. As a year group, they have achieved the highest number of ERA points in Montsaye Academy's history, with our current total standing at 80215. They are a year group that continuously demonstrate our ERA values of excellence, resilience, and aspiration.

There have been many highlights this year, for instance; their enthusiasm to get involved with extracurricular activities, representing our school at different sporting events and demonstrating their aspiration visiting local universities. It was lovely to see so many of our Year 7s on the stage last week as part of our school musical Bugsy Malone, showing great professionalism and talent. Not to mention the students that have had continued impact this year as members of the school council and ambassador groups.

As their Year 7 journey comes to an end and they begin to prepare for Year 8, I hope they remember their first year fondly; that they do not forget the memories they have made so far and all that they have achieved already. I am confident that these excellent and extremely resilient group of students will continue to show Montsaye Academy and its community at its best as they move forward into Year 8; being fantastic role models to the new incoming year 7 cohort.

I would like to introduce Mr Siddons who will be taking over as Progress Leader for the year group in September whilst I am on Maternity Leave. Mrs Walters-Morgan (student welfare officer) will be continuing to work with the year group as they move into Year 8.

Please see below a short welcome message from Mr Siddons([Jsiddons@montsaye.northants.sch.uk](mailto:Jsiddons@montsaye.northants.sch.uk)):

*"I'm very excited at the opportunity to be Progress Leader for year 8 for the coming academic year 2023-2024. I have been a teacher at Montsaye Academy for the past 6 years; teaching both PE and Science, in which this year I have had the pleasure of teaching most of our cohort.*

*I look forward to being able to support our students in their development in this time and hope to work closely with you at home and other staff, to create a team that supports each child in the best possible way. It is very important that we celebrate achievements and participation in additional clubs/events that our students have and ask that if over the summer or at any point next year your child attends a competition, grading, takes part in a performance or volunteering, please do not hesitate to let me know!"*

Finally, I would like to thank you for all your continued support this year and wish you all a wonderful summer break. I look forward to hearing how fantastic the students continue to be in the new school year.

Yours sincerely,



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