



5 June 2026

Dear Parents and Carers

A warm welcome to all students, parents, carers, and staff following the half-term break. I hope everyone had a restful time and enjoyed the recent sunshine. Due to a change in weather, we were unable to take our planned Year Group photographs. These important moments, especially for the Class of 2026, have been rescheduled for **Thursday, 11 June 2026**. Students in Years 7, 9, 11, 12, and 13 should arrive in full uniform to mark the occasion.

Prioritising Attendance

Thank you for your continued support with attendance. Strong attendance improves academic progress, well-being and sense of belonging. We appreciate families arranging appointments and holidays outside term time where possible, helping students maintain consistent routines and achieve their best.

Sixth Form Leadership Update

Congratulations to Mrs Pitcher, who has been appointed as Assistant Principal, Director of Sixth Form from September 2026. This recognises her dedication and impact within the College. We also congratulate Mr Kibler, who will continue as College Director while taking on the additional role of Associate Assistant Principal, Careers (7–13), strengthening guidance and future pathways for all students.

SEND Conference

We look forward to our upcoming SEND Conference, led by Mr Farrell. If you have not yet booked a place, we warmly encourage you to attend. These sessions are designed to provide practical guidance, deepen understanding and ensure all students feel supported, included and able to thrive.

- **SEND Conference – Transition (Year 6) – Monday, 15 June 2026** [here](#)
- **SEND Conference – Key Stage 3 (Years 7, 8 and 9) – Tuesday, 16 June 2026** [here](#)
- **SEND Conference – Key Stage 4 (Year 10) – Thursday, 18 June 2026** [here](#)

Visiting practitioners, alongside our Trust partners, will be in attendance to support the sharing of updates on SEND provision. The event will also showcase co-curricular opportunities, offer 1:1 careers guidance, and provide practical strategies to support learning at home.

Community Event

The Ivybridge Rivers and Moorland Festival takes place today and tomorrow, celebrating our local community. Thank you to those taking part. Learn more [here](#).

Tonight (4.15 – 5.45pm), a screening of In the Making will be held in the Beeson Room at the Watermark, followed by a discussion on community, connection and youth voice.

Thank you for your ongoing support. Your partnership is invaluable and we look forward to a positive and productive few weeks ahead.

Yours faithfully

Rachel Hutchinson
Principal

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