West Park Academy

Dear Parents/Guardians

A very warm welcome back to a new school year.

The purpose of this letter is to give you an overview of our priorities over the coming year. At West Park, we continue to strive to provide an excellent education for all of our children, within the very best facilities. The continual improvement of the learning environment remains a key aim. We want to ensure that the curriculum and the environment in which we teach it supports both high standards of education and levels of engagement as well as promoting healthy lifestyles and positive mental health.

With this as the focus, over the summer we have been busy improving the multi-use games area (MUGA). This will really support our PE curriculum, making outdoor PE a much better experience for the children. It adds to the excellent outdoor facilities we already have.

Following on from our first, very successful STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths) week towards the end of last year we aim to capitalise on the excitement this week generated and build upon it further. To this end we have invested in more IT resources and updated our interactive whiteboards ensuring that these are utilised to support all aspects of learning across the curriculum. We take our inspiration from our locality, the historical heart of engineering and ingenuity and this provides the stimulus for our curriculum development and the resources required to support it.

We are also looking to further develop our Arts. We already have a thriving choir and many children throughout school who are learning musical instruments but this year we are keen to develop our Performing Arts and are applying for the Arts mark in recognition of what we do.

Finally, it goes without saying that we want to provide the very best academic education for your child, within a supportive, nurturing environment. We know we have succeeded when we see past pupils thriving at secondary school and beyond. For this to happen we strive to ensure that all our children leave West Park Academy with key learning skills of reading, writing and maths and the ability to utilise and apply these in different contexts.

Without your support we could not achieve what we do. We will continue to keep you updated, host information sessions and I will also be available most mornings on the yard at the start of the school day if you want to ask any questions. Alternatively, please contact me by email: s.hirst@westparkacademy.org.uk

I would like to thank you personally for your invaluable commitment and support towards the staff and pupils of this school.

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Yours sincerely

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