



**Huxlow
Academy**

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Dear Parents & Carers

This is my final email of the academic year and gives an opportunity to look back and celebrate what has been an historic year for Huxlow Academy.

In September we opened under a new school name and as a new member of the Tove Learning Trust. Throughout the year we have been striving to accelerate our progress and improvement towards realising our vision of 'Thriving Through Excellence.' Whilst we will be continuing this journey next year, I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of our staff, students and parents that have played their part in building and implementing school values and The Huxlow Way. Embedding our curriculum, learning, character attributes and values will be central to the actions that we will be taking from September. Preparations are already in place and ready to launch.

I particularly want to thank our staff for their commitment and effort this year. The world presents many challenges to us as a community now and the support and care they show to our students is humbling to see every day. Alongside this care, they prepared our Year 11 and 13 students exceedingly well for the summer exams and we are looking forward to celebrating results with the students when they are released in the summer.

To really understand the vibrancy and variety of activity this summer term, please view the latest edition of '[The Hux Lowdown](#).' The magazine is packed with reports and photos of the many activities that students have undertaken both within and outside of lessons. We hope you enjoy spending a few moments over the summer reading the articles. Even more events, activities and developments are planned from September onwards and we would encourage all students to get involved and access the opportunities presented.

I would particularly like to draw your attention to the safeguarding and support line information pages included in the Hux Lowdown. These contacts offer a wide range of support if they should be needed during the break and beyond.

At the end of the year, we always have some goodbyes to make, and this year is no different.

Moving on to new challenges after a year with us are Mr Dickens, Mr Horden, and Miss Fanzo. We thank them for their hard work with our students over the year.

Mr Northway our School Business Manager is also leaving us, and I would particularly like to thank him for his work on improving the school site and facilities markedly since his arrival. He leaves a real legacy for our students to enjoy.

Mr Keating, Mr Winter, and Mrs Facey are also leaving us this summer. They arrived in 2020 during Covid times and helped our students to navigate those tricky times and to recover afterwards.

Mrs Barker, our Head of English, is leaving us after 6 years at Huxlow. She will be sorely missed in the English team and by wider staff and students. Alongside her, Mrs Staley has also gained a new role and challenge at a new school from September. She started with us as an NQT in 2012 and her development and growth over the years have included time as Head of Year and Second in English. She really will be **#alwaysHuxlow**.

Finally, Mr Brewin, our Second in Maths, has decided to move to a school closer to home and his growing family. He has overseen our timetable for many years and his many skills will be an asset to his new school.

I would like to thank every one of these staff for their contribution to the school over the years and the impact they have had on our students' lives. We wish them all good luck in the next steps in their careers.

I am really pleased to report that we have had a very successful and strong recruitment period to cover any vacancies, and the timetable is fully staffed for September. I will be introducing all of the new 'Team Huxlow' members to you in September.

Finally, I would like to wish you all a very happy and safe summer break. I have been leading awards assemblies this week and reminding students that 'The Huxlow Way' applies to us all, even when we are outside of school. Our character is best shown by how we act when no one is looking. I know our students will continue to display the values of Ambition, Respect and Pride throughout the holidays, and my biggest wish is that we all return to school in September, safe, happy, and refreshed to continue learning and improving at Huxlow Academy.

Please enjoy reading '[The Hux Lowdown](#).'

Yours Faithfully



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Headteacher