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Dear parents and carers

Year 10 - Transition into Year 11

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As your child nears the end of Year 10 and begins to transition into Year 11, we wanted to take the opportunity to introduce ourselves as the members of staff who will be leading the year group. Year 11 is the most crucial of all the school years and can be extremely challenging but also rewarding.

We know that our young people will need our support and encouragement during this time. Miss O'Sullivan and I have many years of experience working with Year 11 students in this final push and in securing their next steps beyond the academy. We are excited to inform you that we will be responsible for the cohort from Monday 14 July, with myself leading on academic achievement and Miss O'Sullivan leading on pastoral support.

As a school, we are working extremely hard to ensure that the pupils understand, and live out, our school values of *Work Hard, Aspire and Be Kind*. These values will run through everything that we do as a year group. The heart of our mission is to achieve great academic outcomes with the students. This will only be achieved with a strong year group identity, opportunities for student leadership, achievable learning goals and a focus on mental health and well-being.

We are hoping to implement a new and innovative approach to the year group that ensures they get the outcomes they deserve, whilst also making school a place they can thrive in and are an important part of. This is an exciting new era at The Bulwell Academy, and we are excited to offer a new, bespoke support package to our Year 11 students that will not only result in excellent exam grades, but also an experience that they value, enjoy and have ownership over.

In advance of us beginning our positions with the year group, we would like to take the opportunity to invite you in to meet with the two of us. This might be to share any concerns you have moving forwards or to discuss the support and provision we can put in place for your child in September. If you would like to arrange a meeting then please e-mail us at the addresses below or, alternatively, by giving us a call through reception.

We look forward to working with you in the upcoming year to support our fantastic students!

Your sincerely

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