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Dear Parent/Carer

Developments at Wilmington Academy

I am writing to update you on changes at Wilmington Academy linked to the increase in student numbers and the new building.

We pride ourselves on knowing our students well and being a friendly, caring and supportive community. We have created a third college, Jupiter, to ensure that we preserve this philosophy going forwards. Students in the current Year 7, 8 and 9 have been divided into three colleges and inevitably this means that some students will have to move out of Apollo or Minerva Colleges. Changes will mainly affect tutor groups and not subject groups. Current Year 10 students will be largely unaffected. If your son or daughter is moving into Jupiter College, you will receive a separate letter. The academy will provide a red tie and PE top free of charge but no other uniform change will be necessary.

I am delighted to inform parents/carers that Miss Roberts has been promoted to Head of Jupiter College and her college team are all in place. Mr Gore has been promoted to Associate Principal (first deputy) and Mr Hassett will be joining us as Head of Minerva College with effect from 1 September 2016. The rest of the Minerva team remain unchanged.

During the summer holidays, a mezzanine floor will be constructed in the dining room to accommodate 100+ students. A second Food Technology room will be created downstairs in Minerva and six temporary classrooms will be housed in the back of the Apollo College. The Jupiter College offices will be housed downstairs in the Jubilee building. The new building works will commence during the summer holidays.

Finally, I am pleased to inform you that following rigorous recruitment process, we are fully staffed for September. We have a lot of very talented teachers joining us as we continue to strive to improve year-on-year.

I will, of course, keep you updated on developments but would like to thank you for your continued support and wish you a warm, sunny and enjoyable summer holiday.

Yours faithfully

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