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Dear Parents and Carers,

As we approach the end of this academic year, I want to take this opportunity to reflect on the significant progress made across our school community. It has been a year of genuine transformation at The Prescot School—one defined by a growing sense of pride, purpose and unity.

From the moment students step off the bus or walk through our gates each morning, there is a noticeable shift in atmosphere. Our high staff presence at the start and end of each day has helped set a calm, positive tone, reinforcing the high standards we expect from all students. Visitors throughout the year have consistently commented on the welcoming, respectful and orderly environment across the site—something we are incredibly proud of.

This change has not happened by chance. It is the result of a shared commitment between staff, students, families, and the wider community. I want to sincerely thank every member of our school community for your support, your belief in what we are building here, and your determination to make The Prescot School a place where young people thrive.

That said, we are not finished. Our ambition is for TPS to be not just an improving school, but a great school—and we know that this requires consistent effort from everyone.

Attendance and Punctuality

While we have made real strides in attendance, punctuality and behaviour this year, we must continue to improve further. The Prescot School has been recognised as the most improved school in Knowsley for attendance this year—a fantastic achievement. But there are still too many children missing school for reasons that are not authorised.

Absences for reasons such as birthdays, holidays during term time, full days off for minor illness or medical appointments can have a serious impact on progress. Quite simply: students who miss school, miss out—and they fall behind.

In the new academic year, we will continue our strong focus on attendance and punctuality. Every minute of learning counts. Students who delay getting to lessons, for any reason, will be marked late. Those who are persistently late to lessons will be monitored and reported. Our systems are clear and our expectations are firm because we want every student to succeed.

We ask for your continued support in ensuring your child attends school every day, and on time. If your child is unwell, please contact the school on the first day of absence. And remember: where possible, we would always prefer your child to arrive later in the day after feeling better than miss the entire school day.

OUR VISION

WE WILL ENSURE ALL STUDENTS ACHIEVE THEIR
ACADEMIC POTENTIAL, DEVELOP HOLISTICALLY AND
GO ON TO LEAD HAPPY AND SUCCESSFUL LIVES.

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For more information about attendance expectations, please visit our school website:
The Prescot School – Attendance and Punctuality

MCAS and Free School Meals:

As a reminder to all parents, TPS is a cashless school and as such all transactions must be completed via the MCAS app. If you have any issues accessing your MCAS, please contact Reception. Please ensure that your MCAS account always has enough credit for pupils to purchase items at break and lunch should they need it. Pupils will always be able to access food at lunchtime and should speak to their head of Year or reception, if they have no credit on their account. We know there will be families who are currently paying for school meals, who are eligible to receive Free School Meals through the government. Pupils on Free School Meals are not identified any differently and still access their lunch via the same method as everybody else. If you think you may be eligible and not yet claiming, please visit: Knowsley Residents <https://www.gov.uk/apply-free-school-meals/knowsley> Liverpool Residents <https://www.gov.uk/apply-free-school-meals/liverpool> Halton Residents <https://www.gov.uk/apply-free-school-meals/halton>

MCAS app Reminder:

You will have received an email at the address you have provided to the school. This email will ask you to set a password—please follow the instructions to complete this step.

Once your password is set, you will need to download the **MCAS app** to your phone or device. You'll then be able to sign in using your login details and access everything you need.

If you have any questions or need support with the setup process, please don't hesitate to contact the school via the website contact page.



As we look ahead to the 2025–26 academic year, we are proud to share a refreshed **vision, mission, and set of values** for The Prescot School. This marks an important step in our

journey to become a truly great school — one where every child can thrive, feel proud, and be well-prepared for the future.

Why are we making this change?

Over the past year, our school has undergone a significant cultural shift. Behaviour, attendance, and engagement have all improved — and now is the time to build on this momentum with a clear, shared direction for the future. Our new vision and values give us a strong foundation to grow from, aligning students, staff, and families around a common purpose. They set out who we are, what we stand for, and the kind of young people we are shaping for the world beyond school.

Our Vision

We are committed to nurturing students who are **academically successful, socially responsible**, and **ready to thrive** in a fast-changing world. Guided by our motto, *Futuram civitatem inquirimus – Seeking society’s future* – we aim to develop well-rounded individuals who contribute meaningfully to their communities and the wider society.

Our Mission

We will ensure our students are:

- **Thriving** – making progress academically, emotionally, and socially.
- **Positive** – bringing optimism and a solution-focused mindset to all they do.
- **Supportive** – looking after one another and helping everyone succeed.

Our Core Values

These values will guide our daily actions and long-term ambitions:

- **Kindness** – treating others with empathy, respect, and care.
- **Integrity** – doing what is right, even when no one is watching.
- **Tenacity** – showing resilience, courage, and determination in the face of challenge.

This renewed direction reflects our deep belief that every student deserves to feel valued, challenged, and empowered. These changes are not cosmetic – they are cultural. They will underpin everything from how we greet one another at the gate to how we learn, lead, and succeed together.

Staff Leaving the Prescot school.

As the term ends, we say goodbye to a few colleagues. Mr Coran is retiring after 31 years at The Prescot School—his long service is greatly appreciated. Miss Dawood is moving on to a new school, and Mr McClelland is relocating to take up a post in Northern Ireland and Miss Doran is going to continue her studies. We thank them all for their contributions during their time here and wish them well in the future.

End of Term and Start of Autumn Term – Key Information

The summer term will end on **Friday 18th July 2025**, with students finishing school at **12:20pm**. Lunch will be available to order during break time on the Friday for any students who wish to stay for a meal. We will conclude the academic year with our final **Legendary Learner Draw** – please note that students must be in school to be eligible to win.

All students will return to school following the summer break on **Wednesday 3.9.25**, with a staggered start. Please refer to the table below for specific arrival times for each year group.

Students return on Wednesday 3.9.25

Year group	Expected time
Year 7	8:15 am
Year 8	8:45 am
Year 9	9:15 am
Year 10	9:45 am
Year 11	10:15 am

Thank you once again for your unwavering support this year. On behalf of all the staff, I wish you and your family a restful, enjoyable summer break. We look forward to welcoming all students back in September—ready to build on the excellent foundations we have laid together.

School Contact:

Please visit the school website for up-to-date contact details: www.prescotschool.org.uk

Thank you once again for your ongoing support. I hope you and your family enjoy a restful summer break.

Yours sincerely,



Mr M. Reynolds
Principal