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Dear Parent

Academic Year 2018-19: Welcome to Year 10

I wrote to you before the school summer holiday to review all the fantastic opportunities your child had been able to take part in whilst being a Year 9 student at Lees Brook. As part of that letter, I pledged to write to you more frequently this academic year to share good news as well as key dates and information regarding school. To start that off right from the first week, I would firstly like to draw your attention to some key dates for your diary:

Sunday 28 October 2018:	GCSE Geography trip – Bay of Naples
Tuesday 15 January 2019:	Year 10 Subject Evening (4.00pm – 8.00pm)
Tuesday 30 April 2019:	Year 10 Subject Evening (4.00pm – 8.00pm)
Thursday 23 May 2019:	Year 10 Revision Evening (4.00pm – 8.00pm)
Monday 17 June 2019:	End of Year Exams commence (2 weeks)
Monday 8 July 2019:	Work Experience Week (X-half)
Monday 15 July 2019:	Work Experience Week (Y-half)
Thursday 18 July 2019:	Form Tutor Parents Evening (4.00pm – 8.00pm)

The start of Year 10 marks the beginning of GCSE courses for all subjects. We intend and expect that all students will rise to the challenge and create work that they are proud of and that demonstrates that they are trying their hardest in all areas of school life. All staff at Lees Brook strive to prepare students to become future leaders. We believe that, with support, every student can succeed in all areas. Please contact the school to discuss any aspect of your child's education, should you wish to. Your child's Form Tutor should be the first point of contact for pastoral matters (whose name should be written on the front of your child's planner should you wish to double-check) and your child's subject teacher should be contacted for any academic matters. Every faculty also has a Learning Director, whose details are below should you wish to contact them at any point:

Mr C. Gates – Learning Director for English	Mrs H. Davies – Learning Director for the Arts
Mrs E. Aubrey – Acting Learning Director for Maths	Mrs T. Lemon – Learning Director for M.F.L.
Mr A. Thomas – Learning Director for Science	Miss K. Siviter – Learning Director for Technology
Mr D. Brown – Learning Director for Humanities	Miss Furness – Learning Director for P.E.

We are fortunate in being able to welcome Mr Alexander (Learning Behaviour Manager) to the pastoral team that work with Year 10. Mr Alexander and I will be working together to ensure that all students are working as expected in school so that the whole year group can go from strength to strength and enjoy success at the very highest levels. Please join me in welcoming Mr Alexander to the year group team and should you wish to contact him at school, please feel free to do so. Overall, students have entered Year 10 in a positive manner. The vast majority of students have started their GCSE studies with immaculate uniform, school equipment and a suitable DEAR book. In order to maintain your child's success at school, I would like to thank you in advance for your continued support in ensuring your child arrives at school each day well equipped to learn to their fullest potential. Should you wish to check what equipment or uniform your child requires for school, full details can be found within the first few pages of the student planner.

I look forward to writing to you again later this year to share some updates on how the year group are progressing and I look forward to celebrating a highly successful group of students across these final two years at Lees Brook.

Yours faithfully,



Chris Moore
Head of Year 10