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Dear Parent/Guardian,

It's hard to believe how fast another school year has gone by. Our fantastic Year 8 students are now getting ready for Year 9 and their **GCSE studies**. This year, Team Year 8 has really shown us how much they've grown. They've also shown great determination and become more mature. They've handled new schoolwork and taken many opportunities. They are truly valued members of the Wildern community.

My best advice for going into Year 9 is to fully accept the increased schoolwork and responsibility. Please encourage your child to learn more about subjects they love. Help them to keep doing clubs and activities. Ask them to take charge of their own learning. The choices and efforts they make in Year 9 will build a strong base for their GCSE success and their future.

I want to say a huge thank you to all our tutors for their hard work this past year. The strong relationships students have with their tutors are a key part of how we support them. We hope these connections keep growing.

This year, we will sadly say goodbye to Mr. Clissold, Miss Paulin, and Mrs. Thomas. We are very thankful for everything they've done for their tutor groups. We wish them all the very best for the future. Also, I want to wish Miss Dellow all the best with her upcoming maternity leave. We look forward to sharing news of her new baby with the Year Group. We will announce all new tutors soon. We are happy that most of our current tutors will stay with us for September. They are excited to guide Year 9 through this important time. As always, please feel free to contact your child's tutor if you have any questions or worries.

We are also deeply thankful for your strong support and understanding this past year. The strong partnership between home and school is so valuable. It helps us nurture and teach our young people. Your positive teamwork has been key to Year 8's successes.

As you spend time together this summer, I really encourage you to talk with your child about their Year 8 experiences. This is a great chance to discuss their strengths. You can also talk about what they need to work on. And, importantly, talk about what they are becoming interested in as they think about their **GCSE choices**. Year 9 is when many subjects officially start their GCSE content. Having these talks now about subject choices and what they want to do in the future will be time very well spent.

Finally, I wish you all a truly enjoyable, relaxing, and safe summer holiday. I am excited to welcome the students back for their 'Meeting Me' conversations on **Wednesday, September 3rd or Thursday, September 4th, 2025**. They will then be back fully on **Friday, September 5th, 2025**. They will be ready and refreshed for the big challenges and rewards that Year 9 and GCSEs will bring.

Yours faithfully,

**Mr. C Wood**  
Director of Progress and Achievement

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