



# Swinton Academy

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Dear Students, Parents and Carers,

Welcome back! We are delighted to begin the 2025–2026 school year with you. Whether you're returning or joining us for the first time, we're excited to start this new chapter together. Our goal is to ensure every student feels safe, supported, and inspired to reach their full potential.

We understand that there have been a number of changes over the past year and we want to thank you for your continued support and patience throughout this period. Due to this, the academy has seen a significant and positive shift in the day-to-day experience for both students and staff. We are pleased to share that the academy continues to improve; through dedication and hard work, we have achieved a calm, supportive and purposeful learning environment for all our students.

## New Staff

We are pleased to welcome several new members to our team:

Ms Croft –Head of Faculty ADT

Mr Dymock- Assistant Head of Faculty- Science

Miss Walker - Teacher of Maths

Mr Hadden - Teacher of RE

Mr Gibson - Associate Inclusion Lead

Ms Sutch- Teacher in Resource

Mr Hayselden- Site Manager



**All adults in school have a responsibility to safeguard and promote the welfare of children.**

## **New Students**

A special welcome to all our Year 7 students and new joiners in other year groups. We know starting a new school can be daunting, but our staff and student leaders are here to help you settle in.

## **Summer Highlights**

Over the summer:

- Our Resource was refurbished — now in a separate building with kitchen facilities and refurbished classrooms
- The introduction of a school stationery shop
- Updated catering facilities
- The Class of 2025 achieved excellent GCSE & A-Level results. Congratulations to all our leavers! We wish them success on their future journey.

## **Key Dates – Autumn Term 2025**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Event</b>
16 Sept	Whole School Photographs
29 Sept	Y6 Open Evening
10 Oct	INSET Day (students not in school)
13 Oct	Disaggregated Day (students not in school)
16 Oct	Y11 Preparing for Success Evening
27 Oct to 31 <sup>st</sup> Oct	Half Term

More dates will be added to the online calendar on our website.

## **Learning and Expectations**

At Swinton Academy, we maintain high expectations for behaviour, effort and respect. All students are expected to promote our core values of Resilience, Ambition, Respect, Acceptance and Responsibility.

- Be ready to learn
- Bring the correct equipment
- Follow our school values: Ready, Respectful, and Safe
- Have exceptional attendance and punctuality to lessons

## **Homework & Independent Study**

Y7 students should already have received their mastery booklets. Please check the student portal on Google Classrooms regularly and support your child in creating good study habits early in the year.

## Message from the Headteacher

"It's always a privilege to start a new school year with a sense of purpose and optimism. We're proud of our community and look forward to supporting every student in achieving their goals — both inside and outside the classroom."

Warm regards,  
Chela Wilson  
Associate Principal

## Student Wellbeing

Our pastoral team is available for any students needing support. If your child is feeling nervous about returning to school, this is normal, however if you require further support, please reach out to their form tutor – they are your first port of call for initial enquiries and concerns.

## Reminders

- **Uniform:** Full uniform is expected daily. Please review the updated uniform policy on our website.
- **Attendance:** Everyday counts. Aim for 97%+ attendance.
- **Contact:** Make sure we have your up-to-date contact information: addresses and phone numbers are important in case of an emergency.

## Stay Connected

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Here's to a fantastic year ahead!

**Swinton Academy Leadership Team**