



Fort Pitt Grammar School



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Dear Parents/Carers

I am delighted to write to you to introduce myself as Headteacher of this fantastic school. Throughout my time working in Medway I have of course known of Fort Pitt, and am fully aware of how unique a community it is.

I have had the privilege of working in some exceptional schools across the South East of England and am really excited to have the opportunity to build upon the excellent work that took place during Mr Watkiss' tenure.

For me the relationship between home and school is incredibly important, and as such I look forward to working with each and every one of you as we strive for even greater success over the coming years.

On a practical note regarding the term ahead, I'd be grateful if families could re-visit the uniform expectations in regard to school shoes i.e. that if they look like plimsoles then such footwear will not be allowed. Whilst Vans, Nike or Converse shoes might be marketed as shoes, these are not part of the prescribed school uniform.

Also as we lead into the Autumn and Winter terms I should like to give a reminder regarding school coats which must be navy blue, black, grey, khaki or brown with no additional colour, pattern or logo. Denim and leather jackets are not acceptable. Any other colours will not be allowed and I would not wish parents to be subjected to unnecessary additional costs if a mistake were to be made.

I know that I can rely on you to maintain the high uniform standards set out in our School planner and Home School Agreement and should like to thank you for your continued support in maintaining our standards regarding uniform and appearance.

I truly believe that teaching is the best job in the world but also one which brings with it an enormous sense of responsibility. It gives us a unique opportunity to have a positive effect on the happiness and life chances of the students in our care. My aspirations for Fort Pitt Grammar School are therefore very simple, I want every student to be happy, achieve the very best that they can and to enjoy coming to school every day.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Nicky Archer', written over a light blue horizontal line.

Nicky Archer
Headteacher

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