



JOHN MADEJSKI ACADEMY

10th January 2025

Dear JMA Families

May we first wish you a very happy new year and also give a big welcome to everyone on behalf of the Greenshaw Learning Trust (GLT). We are incredibly proud of our family of schools, especially as we are recognised as the second best performing trust (at Secondary) in England, we are excited to now work with the JMA.

Our key mantra of Work Hard: Be Kind influences everything we and our students do. This supports all of our students to climb their own personal mountain to the very best universities and professions.

Culture

We passionately believe that JMA will become the highest performing and most popular school in Reading, and beyond, very quickly. Initially the key focus is on creating a culture that allows and supports all students to be in a classroom, being taught by the very best teachers, and not being distracted by any disruptive behaviour in that classroom. We will support and teach all students to be polite and respectful.

Uniform

As per the parental booklet we distributed before Christmas, we expect all students to meet the uniform requirements, with adjustments where agreed in advance. We will support families who may find this financially challenging.

It is important that all parents have read the handbook, and it is also attached to this communication.

On Friday we welcomed back Year 7, 8 and 9 students. May we first of all thank you for supporting your children to get into school on time and in perfect uniform. Where this wasn't possible we supported students with uniform items at our own cost. The vast majority of students were polite and respectful and they were quickly placed back into their lessons.

Mr Jonathan Heap, Headteacher

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It has been a fantastic day, and seeing classrooms full of engaged students, in a disruption free setting showed what can be created very quickly at JMA. We look forward to welcoming all students in years 7 to 13 on Monday.

Please be aware, in the interest of safety, that the visitors car park gate will be closed daily at 8.15am to 9.15am, and 2.30pm and 3.30pm.

May we wish everyone a great weekend.

Yours sincerely

The image shows two handwritten signatures in black ink. The first signature is 'Jon Heap' and the second is 'D. Ackland'. Both are written in a cursive, flowing style.

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