

24 September 2021

Dear parents/carers,

The new academic year has started very positively indeed. Staff and students alike are pleased to have resumed something like normal service, with 5 lessons per day and the ability to teach and learn in specialist subject areas. I am pleased that the vast majority of students are punctual to school and 'ready to learn', with the correct equipment and uniform. In those instances where incorrect uniform is worn, replacement uniform will always be loaned for the day.

### **Extra-curricular programme**

Our committed team of staff has put together a wide-ranging programme of extra-curricular clubs at lunchtimes and after school. These are invaluable opportunities to learn a new skill or pursue a passion, outside of normal lesson time, and I would strongly encourage all students to make the most of these opportunities. The extra-curricular programme can be found here:

<https://www.wilsthorpe.ttct.co.uk/curriculum/enrichment/>

### **Open Evenings**

Our Year 6 Open Evening (for those children aiming to start secondary school in September 2022) takes place on Monday 27 September. Families are reminded that this day is designated as an INSET Day. Our Sixth Form Open Evening (for those young people starting Year 12 in September 2022) is on Tuesday 5 October. Information about both events can be found here:

<https://www.wilsthorpe.ttct.co.uk/information/news-and-events/>

### **Parents' Evenings**

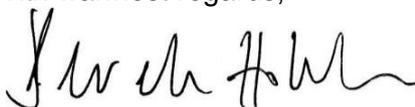
Thank you for the feedback that many parents sent us about arrangements for Parents' Evening, as well as our school bus route. We will take these views into account, and respond to the changing local and national picture in terms of COVID, when making our plans for the academic year ahead. In the meantime, a calendar of key dates for families can be found here:

<https://www.wilsthorpe.ttct.co.uk/information/calendar/>

### **Letter from Wesley Davies, CEO**

Finally, please also find attached a letter from Wes Davies, Chief Executive Officer of Two Counties Trust. Although we are a family of 9 secondary schools, educating over 11,000 young people, we are determined that our communication and partnership working with families is personal and effective. If you would like to speak to someone about your child's progress or welfare, please start with their form tutor as the first point of contact, and we will always do our best to be responsive to you.

With warmest regards,



**Mr D Hobbs**  
**Headteacher**