COOMBE WOOD SCHOOL

Coombe Wood School Open Evening, Wednesday 22nd September 2021

Our Mission Statement and Core Values

Displaying and developing the human values of teamwork, respect, enjoyment, discipline and sportsmanship in our daily lives, as we journey together towards discovering and reaching our true personal bests.

TEAMWORK RESPECT ENJOYMENT DISCIPLINE SPORTSMANSHIP

Dear students and parents/carers,

It is my great pleasure to welcome you all to Coombe Wood School and our Open Evening for Year 6 families 2021.

Since our opening in September 2018, we have made great strides with our exciting new adventure. Staff and students alike are living out our mission statement and core values, and I very much hope that through your tour of our new state of the art facilities, this pack and the many videos on our website, you will get a real flavour of just how important positive relationships are to life at CWS. Outstanding student / staff relationships lie at the heart of every successful school and it has been my great pleasure to see how these have flourished over the past three years in CWS classrooms, assemblies, extra-curricular activities, House competitions, Musical Performances and Health Related Fitness sessions. We are very proud of what our school offers to the development of the whole child, and the staff here are thoroughly enjoying seeing our students grow into positive young adults who will no doubt thrive in 21st century Britain.

Of course happiness and positive relationships are only one step towards all round success and you will also want to know about our curriculum and how we are setting about the task of preparing our students for GCSE, A level and beyond. For this reason, we have included our Year 7 Curriculum Booklet in the documentation to give you an overview of what learning looks like inside and outside of the classroom during the first year of study at CWS. The focus on learning and teaching here is relentless. Whether it be teachers planning exciting lessons, students engaging and working to their very best, parents / carers sending their children to school in stunning uniform after a good night's sleep or indeed the support staff at CWS making sure everything runs smoothly, it is fair to say that lots of people invest every day in making our classrooms special places of learning. Our job is to make sure they stay special, every lesson, every day. That is why the leadership group visit every lesson, every day. In addition to this and as part of on-going professional development amongst our teachers, all departments will have trained examiners within their teams as we approach our first GCSE and A Level Public Examinations in Summer 2023. This way, when it comes to preparing students for exams, they know what the markers are looking for and can pass this expertise directly on to your children, leaving no stone unturned in the pursuit of the best possible grades. Finally, as you may know, we are part of Folio Education Trust and as such have adopted many of the curriculum and assessment practices put in place by our partner secondary

school, Wallington County Grammar School, to further enhance the outstanding provision we offer to our students.

We do not just have happy students, we have students who are going places and who, as our mission statement says, are given every opportunity to discover and reach their true personal bests. I very much hope you enjoy your visit to Coombe Wood School and, if your family values align with those of our school, we would of course very much welcome your application.

Mr B. Laker, Headteacher, Coombe Wood School.