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Dear Parent/Carer



Changes to the House teams for September 2010

I write to inform you of changes to the leadership of the House teams the school will be making from September 2010.

The current structure and staffing have been in place for five years and whilst we have made minor changes during this time I have decided that further changes will benefit the students and their progress at the school.

We are also taking the opportunity at this time as September will see the introduction of two new Heads of House: Mr Martindale, who will be familiar to many parents as the leader of our Performance curriculum, and Mr Lee, who joins us in September from Milton Keynes Academy. They will be replacing Mr Hudson and Mr Truan, who I am delighted to inform you will be staying at The Radcliffe but in new posts, Mr Truan as Leader of Key Stage Three, and Mr Hudson as Head of PE within the new Specialism structure.

The new partnerships of Head of House and Assistant Head of House will be as follows:

William Cowper House (Green)	-	Mr Q Berriman, Head of House Mrs M Randolph, Assistant Head of House
Edward Hayes House (Blue)	-	Mr M Lee, Head of House Mrs S Fenemore, Assistant Head of House
Jennie Lee House (Yellow)	-	Mr G Martindale, Head of House Mrs B Moore, Assistant Head of House
James McConnell House (Red)	-	Mrs J France, Head of House Mrs E Sullivan, Assistant Head of House

Our students will remain in their current House so there will be no implications for uniform purchase.

We hope that these changes will ensure that the energy and enthusiasm for the House system demonstrated by our students will continue and develop further and that the positive ethos throughout the school and witnessed by Ofsted in a recent inspection will continue to flourish as a consequence. The changes will ensure that all students have a consistent positive experience of the house system with its dual focus of excellent pastoral care and high achievement.

I am sure you will join me in wishing all of our staff well in their new roles, and in particular new staff joining for the first time in September. We have recruited very strongly and are fully staffed for the new term, an updated list of staffing for September including new roles and responsibilities will be available on the website at www.radcliffeschool in the next few weeks. These changes, alongside the changes to the structure of the school day and in particular the extended opportunities for leadership and volunteering on Wednesday afternoons give me great cause for optimism as we look forward to the new academic year.

Yours sincerely

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