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Head Teacher: Mr M Dean

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**Dear Parents & Carers** 

I would like to extend my warmest wishes to you all for the New Year.

A new calendar year always brings the opportunity of a fresh start and I would encourage all of our students to resolve to be the very best that they can be in 2021. Through their hard work, and commitment to all aspects of school life, they will ensure that 2021 is a year we can truly celebrate.

For me, the new year brings the honour of taking up the post of Head Teacher at Poynton High School. Our school has an impressive track record of academic excellence and offering opportunities for all and I resolve to do my best to further the good work begun under the leadership of David Waugh. I am grateful to be given the opportunity to build on these strong foundations for the benefit of all our students and staff.

Having worked here at Poynton as Head of Sixth Form, and then Deputy Head Teacher, since 2006, I know our school is an inspirational place to be. I am looking forward to working closely with our outstanding community of students, staff and parents to ensure that we support our young people to be the best that they can be.

There is no doubt that 2020 was one of the most challenging years any of us have known. On the wall of my office is a plaque showing our school badge accompanied by the motto 'Constant, come wind, come weather'. The towers on our badge are a symbol of the strength of our own school community. This resilience in the face of adversity was certainly demonstrated by everyone in our community over the past year and I have no doubt that it will sustain us through the current challenges we face.

As students return to learning today, I wish them well and look forward to updating you on their many achievements this year.

Yours faithfully,

Matthew Dan

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