



# SIR THOMAS FREMANTLE SCHOOL

A CO-EDUCATIONAL SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS AGED 11-19

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Dear Parents & Carers,

## Welcome

Firstly, may I thank so many of you who have made me feel incredibly welcome! It has been lovely to hear from so many of you.

I hope you have had a restful summer and I know all the staff here at STSF are thrilled to have the students back. We welcome especially our new Year 7 students who made a terrific start on Friday! Students had an amazing first day yesterday and they have adapted quickly to the new timings of the day.

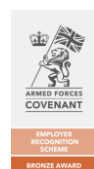
As I begin my headship here at STFS, I will be spending the initial half term to really get to know the school as I work with leaders to develop our improvement areas; I will convey these to you later in the term.

I have been so impressed by how courteous and polite our students are – they are a real credit to you! From students holding the doors to students asking about my day and how I am settling in! A remarkable group of young people!

## Fantastic Results

I cannot go without mentioning the amazing achievements of our Y11 and Y13 leavers. The results show such diligence and determination of our students. Sir Thomas Fremantle School remains focussed on the progress of all students, and we are proud of what all our students achieve. Students will leave us not only with a strong set of results, but also with the skills necessary to contribute to society and thrive in it. They have shown remarkable levels of grit and determination.

2019	2022
63% - Grade 4 in Maths and English	82% - Grade 4 in Maths and English
37% - Grade 5 in Maths and English	45% - Grade 5 in Maths and English
9% - 5+ GCSEs Grade 7+	18% - 5+ GCSEs Grade 7+



18% of our students achieved five or more Grade 7-9 with 84% of students achieving five or more Grade 9-4 in their GCSEs. 82% of our students are leaving with at least a grade 4 in both Maths and English.

### High Standards and Expectations

We are making a concerted effort to ensure we keep high expectations of all students. We will be doing regularly uniform and equipment checks. Please ensure you familiarise yourself with the uniform expectations, particularly around jewellery.

### Useful Information

I understand that not all families received the end of term letter with useful information about the programmes we use to support communication and parent information about their child. I have included it in this correspondence. Do get in touch if you need any help with setting this up.

### Road Closures

We are aware of pending road closures linked to EWR from local council sites. We will confirm this and any changes to school transport.

**"From Monday 12 September until Friday 11 November** EWR will be undertaking **major works on the Buckingham Road bridge**, with lights controlling traffic using a single-lane over the bridge. For these two months **Great Horwood Road will be closed to all traffic** at its junction with Buckingham Road. This is to provide an area to store materials necessary to do the work on the bridge, and to allow various changes to be made to services (water, sewage and telecoms) under that junction. It should also help to avoid significant traffic delays on the A413 itself. But anyone trying to get between Great Horwood and Winslow will need to travel via Padbury or Little Horwood. Access to and from premises on Great Horwood Road will be always possible but only via Great Horwood village".

Finally, I am really looking forward to my first term here at STFS and I hope to build on the great work achieved already by the school. I am extremely passionate and excited about my new role here at STFS!

Best wishes,

Francis Murphy

Head Teacher

