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Dear Parent/Carer,

Open Evening – Thursday 26 September – 6.00pm to 9.00 pm

I am delighted to be writing to you regarding '**Year 7 Secondary School Admission 2025**'. I hope you and your family are well and that your child is currently settling into their Year 6 learning. I really enjoyed spending time with your child recently during my visit to their Primary School, and I would like to take this opportunity to wish them every success in Year 6, which I know is a really important year for them both in terms of their social and their academic achievements.

Everyone at Stafford Manor High School understands that selecting the right school for your child is vitally important. To help you to make your decision, I am delighted to invite you to our **Open Evening on Thursday 25 September 2025, from 6.00 pm to 9.00 pm**. This is a perfect opportunity for you to come and meet us and to find out why more and more parents are choosing Stafford Manor High School for their children. Our Open Evening provides a glimpse into life at our amazing school and leaves so many parents firmly believing that our approaches, our values and our expectations create a school that they feel compelled to choose for their children.

Stafford Manor is a small school that puts your children at the heart of everything we do. As a small school, we are unique and as a result, you can be confident that your child will be cared for and receive lots of support and individual attention. Students are well known to all staff which not only allows us to cater for their personal needs but also to recognise areas of strength and areas for development, allowing your child to flourish, and develop their knowledge and understanding of the world.

As Headteacher, it is very important to me that I know every single child by name and ensure we are doing everything feasibly possible to make every child feel safe, happy and to feel like they belong at our school. Our personalised approach is embraced by every member of staff and it is what has led to our success in recent years and to the school being full.

We are very proud of our teachers and support staff, who are experts and are fully committed to your child and passionate about their education. Furthermore, we firmly believe that extending our curriculum beyond the classroom is a vital tool for enriching your child's education.

Students get to take part in a wide range of visits, which are enjoyed by staff and students alike. These are extremely popular and in high demand every year. Students get the chance to attend residentials, visit a range of elite sporting events, visit France and visit other places that we feel will enhance their cultural education. There are great opportunities at Stafford Manor High School and student experiences will be diverse both inside and outside the classroom and will be valued throughout their school life and beyond.

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As a result of the high quality education and support we provide for each and every child, we have been oversubscribed in each of the last five years. Not only do we set aspirational targets for your child to meet each year, but we also support them and allow them to grow as individuals. We will encourage them to set their own goals and to be proud of what they achieve. Throughout their time with us, we will celebrate their achievements and share them with you personally, during presentation days, rewards assemblies and other events.

I am thrilled to be able to show you what we have to offer and share our successes with you. I do hope this will provide you with all the information you need to make the right choice for your child. If you are unable to attend our face-to-face Open Evening, I would suggest the following steps which will still allow you to discover why Stafford Manor High School is a very special community that your child could be part of this time next year.

1. **Visit our website.** This contains a wealth of information and gives you a clear indication of the vision, values and ethos of our school. There is also a dedicated "Admissions" page that contains useful information about life at Stafford Manor High.
2. **Read our OFSTED report,** which gives you an up to date picture of where we are as a school. When Ofsted inspected us in May 2023, they stated that Stafford Manor High School 'is a caring, inclusive school at the heart of the community, which know pupils and families well and that pupils feel happy and safe in school.'
3. **Speak to our current pupils and families.** Our greatest ambassadors are our pupils. If you have a relative, friend or neighbour who has a child at Stafford Manor High School, talk to them about their experiences.

I hope you feel inspired and encouraged to find out more about our fantastic school. We are proud of the learning environment and culture we have created for our students; whether it is the high-quality Science laboratories, modern dining facilities, fully serviced ICT rooms, or our state of the art Tennis Centre and SEND support. Visitors to Stafford Manor High School always comment on the transformation the school has made in recent years and many have embraced our passion for ensuring that we make school **unmissable** and **unforgettable** for every child who attends, so that '**every child reaches their full potential**' and has the best possible start to their adult life. I very much look forward to meeting your child in the future and working together to fulfil their dreams and ambitions.

We hope to meet you at our **Open Evening on Thursday 25 September at 6.00 pm.** **Please can I encourage you to arrive from 5.45pm as I will be holding a talk for all parents and children in the main hall at 6.00pm.** If you require any additional information, or are unable to attend the Open Evening but would still like to visit Stafford Manor High School, then please do not hesitate to contact me and I will accommodate visits to suit your individual availability and I am happy to give you a tour at any point during the school day without an appointment.

Thanks for taking the time to read this letter and I look forward to working with you in the future.

Yours faithfully,



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