HMS/BV

September 2014

Dear Parents/Carers

## Re: Open Evening – Wednesday 8 October 2014 – 6.00 pm onwards

I would like to invite you to our Open Evening on Wednesday 8 October 2014. All areas of the school will be open and a wide variety of activities and displays will be available. You will also have the opportunity to speak to staff and students. There will be two presentations 6.00-6.30pm and 7.15-7.45pm, between which tours will take place.

There will be an opportunity for you to tour the school and experience the outstanding new facilities. We have extensive new canteen facilities, toilets, covered patio area, new classrooms, science practical area, updated technology areas, as well as a new block of classrooms, textiles suite and our exciting creative space.

We would love to see all our young people and their families at the forthcoming Open Evening. The evening will be informative, interactive and fun for our guests. You may also wish to use this as an opportunity to question our students and staff about our exciting future.

Please take this opportunity to come, have a look around, experience our new curriculum offer and find out more about what we intend to offer your children in Year 7. I believe that we will be at the forefront of educational practice and offer our young people the best possible opportunity, to be the best they can.

In September 2014, we remained static at 50% 5A\*-C EM. In the current climate of volatility across many schools, this is a strong result. The majority of our subjects are above National standards. We improve our provision each year and this year has been our best start back yet. Our new Year 7's have settled in very quickly and happily.

If you cannot make the Open Evening and wish to come and see the school in action, please book an appointment with the school office for a tour. Tours are available at 8.45am each morning from Friday 10 October to Monday 20 October (except Friday 17 October). We would love to see you, speak with you and share the pride we have in our school with you.

Please note that parking will be made available on the grass area and parking attendants will be on hand to guide you. Please avoid parking in our adjacent communities at the Vale end, which is private access and at the Eley Drive gate, which will be locked at 6.00pm.

Yours sincerely

Havdr Stride <u>Headteacher</u>