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Dear Family,

Introduction – Head of Mathematics

I hope this letter finds you well.

My name is Mr Gibson, and I am delighted to introduce myself as the new Head of Mathematics at Thorns Collegiate Academy. It is a privilege to join such a vibrant and committed school community, and I am excited to begin working with your children to support their mathematical learning and development.

With over 20 years of experience in mathematics education, I am passionate about creating an environment where all students feel confident, challenged and inspired in their learning. My aim is to ensure that every student is supported to achieve their full potential, not only in terms of academic success but also in developing problem-solving skills, resilience and a genuine appreciation for the subject.

Over the coming weeks, I will be working closely with the maths team to build on the department's strengths and explore new opportunities that will enable us to make further progress in the future. I am also keen to foster strong partnerships with families as I believe that collaboration between home and school is key to student success.

I have already seen firsthand, and heard directly from the maths staff, about some of the amazing work being completed in lessons over the opening weeks of the term. I look forward to seeing this continue throughout the year as we make this journey together.

Please do not hesitate to get in touch if you have any questions or concerns. I look forward to meeting many of you at upcoming school events and working together to ensure a successful year ahead.

Thank you in advance for your support this year.

Kind regards,

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