

1st September 2025

Dear Parents/Guardians

I hope you and your family have enjoyed a restful and happy summer break. As we approach the new school year, I would like to extend a warm welcome back to all our students and a special welcome to those joining the Ruislip High School community for the first time.

At Ruislip High School, we believe that a strong start leads to a strong year. High attendance is one of the most important factors in achieving academic success. Students who attend regularly are more engaged in lessons, build stronger relationships with their peers and teachers and give themselves the very best chance to reach their full potential.

To encourage an excellent start to the year, we are launching our new "[8 to be Great](#)" Attendance Challenge. Students who are in school every day for the first 8 days of term – from Wednesday 3rd September to Friday 13th September 2025 – will enjoy a delicious treat and be entered into a prize draw to win a £50 restaurant gift card. There will be one winner in each year group.

Please note the start dates for each year group:
Wednesday 3rd September 2025

- Year 7: Start at 8:30am, dismissed at 3:00pm
- Year 12 & 13: Start at 8:30am, dismissed at 12:25pm
- Year 11: Start at 2:00pm (doors open at 1:45pm), dismissed at 3:00pm

Thursday 4th September 2025

- Year 8, 9 & 10: Return to school (normal times apply)

We hope this fun challenge motivates students to begin the year with energy, commitment and determination. Your support in ensuring your child attends school every day is invaluable. Together, we can help them start strong and continue building great habits for the year ahead.

Yours sincerely



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