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Dear Parent/Carer

We would like to welcome your child to the **saltash.net** English department. We are thoroughly looking forward to supporting your child over the coming years.

As the new academic year commences, we would like to share some key information with you:

- During the first week of the Autumn Term, all students will be sitting an internal standardised assessment which will be marked by their new teachers. Alongside their KS2 data, this information will be used to monitor and adjust the current sets, to ensure that every student is in the best set to support their learning and provide appropriate challenge. As such, please be aware that there is a possibility that your child's English set may change within the first three weeks of the Autumn Term.
- We have re-structured our homework system, and are pleased to say that we have produced a new and exciting homework strategy. Every week, students will receive weekly spellings to aid their literacy and, for each topic studied, students will also receive a homework project. This project will run alongside the teaching lessons and will encourage students to transfer their skills at home. Each homework project will offer a range of tasks, each worth a different amount of points, and students will be able to choose tasks in order to reach their individual points target.
- All students will be participating in our Accelerated Reader programme which is run by Mr Coot, the Library Manager, and their class teacher. This programme encourages students to read more independently using a range of techniques. All students will have one lesson every two weeks as a dedicated Accelerated Reader lesson. Further information will be issued by Mr Coot soon.

If you have any questions then please do not hesitate to contact your child's English teacher in the first instance.

Yours faithfully

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Mrs Samantha Oates
Head of English

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "T Ward". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, looped initial 'T'.

Mr Thomas Ward
KS3 Coordinator

