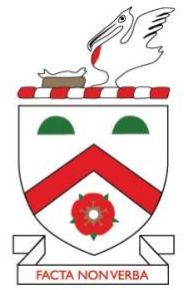


# FRED LONGWORTH HIGH SCHOOL



Belonging, Engaging, Succeeding Together

21<sup>st</sup> September 2020

Dear Parent

Welcome to Fred Longworth High School. I hope that you have enjoyed our Virtual Tour of the school.

Many of you will be anxious about the choice that you make over the next few weeks. Fortunately, there are several good schools within our local area and, whilst we believe that we are the best, the final decision will be about choosing the school that best suits your child.

Past experience suggests that many of your questions will be about admissions. There are always parents who are worried about whether their child will or will not be successful in gaining a place here and that, if they choose Fred Longworth as first choice and are not successful in their application because we are over-subscribed, they will damage their chances of being accepted at their second choice school.

**I must stress that this is absolutely not the case.** Admissions are strictly controlled by the Local Authority and success depends entirely on how far a child meets the over-subscription criteria for each school. A school **must not** consider whether the parent has placed it as first, second or third choice if a child meets its over-subscription criteria. My advice is that if you want your child to come to Fred Longworth, you should indicate that we are your first choice, as the Local Authority try to place children in their first choice school if possible. If your application is unsuccessful, you will not be disadvantaged at your second and third choice schools.

Please do not hesitate to ask if you have any further questions. Queries should be addressed to [whalleyj@flhs.wigan.sch.uk](mailto:whalleyj@flhs.wigan.sch.uk). I hope that this is the start of a long and successful partnership between you and Fred Longworth High School.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'J. H. Garretts'.

MRS J GARRETTS  
Headteacher