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**Subject:** Important Update: Site Adjustments, Safety Measures, and Student Support

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you and your family had a restful half-term break.

At V.A.S.E Academy our absolute priority is to provide a safe, calm, and nurturing environment tailored to our students' unique needs. To ensure we continue to meet the highest standards of safety and safeguarding, we have introduced three important updates to our school site over the half-term: the installation of **maglocks**, an **expanded CCTV system**, and **new access protocols for our school toilets**.

We understand deeply that change can be particularly challenging for our young people, and we want to share the reasons behind these adjustments and how we are supporting everyone through the transition.

### Why These Adjustments Were Made

We believe in being entirely transparent with our families about how we manage and protect our school environment:

- **Maglocks (Magnetic Security Locks):** These have been installed on main doors and transition gates. Crucially, these locks form a vital part of our robust **safeguarding and lockdown procedures**, allowing us to instantly secure the premises and ensure everyone's safety in the event of an emergency.
- **New CCTV System:** We have upgraded and expanded our CCTV coverage across key communal areas. This has been implemented strictly for the **safety, security, and safeguarding of both our children and our staff**, providing an extra layer of reassurance and accountability within our community
- **Toilet Facilities:** Regrettably, we have had to make the decision to lock certain toilet blocks during lesson times. This is a direct response to **continuous, deliberate damage and blockages** which have repeatedly left facilities out of order.

We understand that emotional dysregulation can manifest in different ways, but we must ensure our facilities remain clean, safe, and hygienic for all students.

