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Dear Parents and Carers of Years 7-11

A letter from Mr Miller

As we approach half term and the end of eight very busy weeks, I would like to thank you for your support so far this year. Your children have been fantastic as always and are working very hard.

I would like to take this opportunity to remind you that we are holding our first house day of the year on Friday 8th November. It features a host of activities in the afternoon with every single student involved and earning points for their house. On this day, all students should attend school in their house shirt and bring sports kit to change into if involved in a sporting activity in the afternoon. Whilst writing, could you also please put Sunday 24th November in your diary for the annual PTA Christmas Fair which is always a great event and helps raise money towards extra resources for the school and your children. I know that the PTA will be in touch later this week with their appeals for goods, raffle prizes and general help – please support where you can.

You may have seen in the school calendar that a parents' E-safety session was originally scheduled for this Thursday. Unfortunately, this event has been postponed and we will ensure that the new date is published as soon as possible.

Please can I also take the opportunity to ask for your continued support for the following aspects of school life:

Coats

As the weather starts to become colder, I would like to make our annual appeal and remind parents of the Uniform Policy for coats - they should be plain black or navy blue with minimal fur trim and without logos. If students wish to wear a scarf they must wear the school scarf (black with burgundy logo) available from our uniform suppliers. Hoodies and fleeces should not be worn to school.

Boys' haircuts

At the end of last term we made it clear to all the boys and parents that haircuts should be moderate with no extreme styles. Where boys have long hair on the top and short on the sides there must be a clear and gradual gradient between the two. There should be no sharp jump from short to long. I urge you to please support your son and the school and avoid them from having to be out of circulation at school.

Student well-being

Almost all students who cycle to school now have a helmet every day. However, not all are wearing them during the journey to and from school and are regularly seen with the helmet dangling from their handlebars. We seriously worry for their safety and, as you know, we do confiscate bikes for 24 hours if students do not have their helmet with them which has proven an excellent deterrent. We cannot police or enforce this outside of school, therefore, we do rely on their common sense and your encouragement from home.

Many thanks for your support and I hope you have a lovely half term.

Yours sincerely

Mr T Miller
Headteacher