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Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope this letter finds you well. As always, I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your continued support of the school and for the care and guidance you provide to our young people. The partnership between home and school is a vital part of our students' success and the strength of our school community. We've had a busy and exciting half-term. It has been a pleasure to welcome prospective families to our school, with record attendance at both our Year 6 and Sixth Form Open Evenings. We look forward to continuing our transition activities throughout the year.

Our students have shown great commitment to their learning this term, earning an impressive number of achievement points for their efforts. We've also enjoyed welcoming our new Year 7 and Year 12 cohorts, who have settled into their new routines exceptionally well. Meanwhile, our Year 11 and Year 13 students have been focused on their mock exams, which are now halfway through. The second week of assessments will take place after the half-term break, and we encourage all students in these year groups to have clear revision plans in place for the holiday.

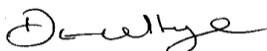
A key part of our vision is that students experience much more than just classroom learning. This term, many have taken part in enrichment activities that support their personal development, including sports, clubs, and trips. We're proud to have launched our new initiative, the 'Being Bow' Diploma, which encourages students to collect and reflect on their achievements throughout the year. This will allow us to celebrate the full range of their contributions and successes. We'll share more details about our celebration plans later in the year. Looking ahead, we have many exciting opportunities planned for next half-term, including our first Personal Development Day on Tuesday 18th November.

As we approach the break, we encourage students to rest and recharge, ready for the term ahead. Please ensure your child returns to school with all the necessary equipment, including:

1. At least 2 black or blue pens
2. 1 red pen
3. 1 green pen
4. Pencil, ruler, eraser, compass, protractor
5. Scientific calculator
6. A4-sized school bag

Please also note the following key dates for next half-term:

- Start of Half-Term 2 – Monday 3rd November (Usual Time)
- Parent Ambassadors Forum – Wednesday 12th November, 9:00–10:30
- INSET Day – Friday 14th November (school closed to students)
- Parent Coffee Morning: Post-16 Options – Wednesday 26th November, 9:00–10:30
- Year 11 Parents' Evening – Wednesday 3rd December, 16:00–18:30
- Year 12 & 13 Parents' Evening – Wednesday 17th December, 16:00–18:30
- Year 6 to Year 7 Graduation Event – Thursday 18th December (timings to be confirmed)

Yours sincerely,

Mr D Lye
Head Teacher