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Principal Letter (4)

26th September 2025

Dear Parent/Carer,

It barely seems possible that we are reaching the end of September and already half way through this half-term. We have had a very busy and enjoyable week at the College. On Tuesday, we held our first Parent Forum on behaviour and expectations. It was very encouraging to see such a positive turnout and to hear constructive feedback on how we can continue to work together to support our students. To help us shape the format of future forums, I would be grateful if you could take a few moments to share your thoughts via this link:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeEFS8UL-v2spJKomkJmzQkrGlmhEvBqx0FHN6Zc4G_ntWt7A/viewform?usp=header

We continue to be really impressed with student uniform and it is allowing us to now move forward with focussing on aspects such as classwork in books. A quick reminder on a couple of aspects of uniform. Firstly, socks must be plain black with no logos please. Secondly, flared trousers are not permitted as part of our dress code. Thank you for continuing to support us in maintaining a smart and consistent appearance across the school. If you have any questions or concerns then please let us know.

Our recent Open Mornings have been a real success, with many families taking the opportunity to see the College during the school day. Visitors commented on the calm, purposeful learning environment and one parent commented to me, "your students are so polite and all held doors open when we were walking around". A wonderful demonstration of the respect culture we are building here at the College.

Finally, for those students travelling to school by bike. It is great to see so many doing so but please ensure they are following basic safety precautions. This includes wearing a helmet, using bike lights where necessary, and locking their bike securely when on site. Your support with reinforcing these important messages at home is much appreciated.

I hope you have a really enjoyable weekend.

Kind regards,

Ian Stoneham

Principal

Key dates this term:

1st October: Year 7 and 11 meet the mentor evening

16th October: Year 9 information evening

24th October: Half term ends

27th-31st October: Half term

3rd November: Half term begins

17th November: Parent forum (2)

17th - 27th November: Year 11 practice exams

28th November: Non Pupil Day (Staff training day)

3rd and 4th December: Year 7 Parent's evening

19th December (1pm): Term ends