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Principal Letter 6

2nd October

Dear Parent/Carers

This week has been a typically very busy one at the College. Following the success of our open evening we have held two open mornings. It was wonderful to conduct these tours and showcase to prospective parents the hard work students and focus of students in lessons.

In addition, this week saw our Year 7 and 11 mentor evening. A great opportunity to further build links and supportive relationships between our key staff and yourselves. Our Year 11 students were also able to get information and discuss their options for next year and it was lovely to welcome back so many of our former students now representing their new college and sixth form providers. A reminder that our Year 11 exam information evening is being held on 15th October and more details will follow next week.

A couple of final points of note from me this week. Firstly, many of you will have noticed the absence of our usual school crossing patrol at the junction with the main road. Sadly this is due to ill health. We wish Alan a speedy recovery but for the meantime this will mean that there is nobody manning this crossing. Please encourage students to cross the road safely and we will increase the presence of school staff at the start and end of day as well.

Secondly, next Friday we will be taking part in the Young Minds 'Hello Yellow' day as part of World Mental Health Day, helping to raise funds for young people's mental health. Students are invited to wear something yellow to school alongside their uniform. This could be for example a yellow tie, socks, accessories or jewellery. An optional £1 donation can be paid on Wisepay or brought into school.

Finally, please can I encourage you to make a donation for your child's phone pouch on wisepay. The success of this approach to keep the distractions of smart phones out of the school environment is dependent on enough parent contributions. Your support with this is much appreciated.

Have a lovely weekend,

Ian Stoneham
Principal

Key Dates

7th October: Year 7 Lambourne End trip

15th October: Year 11 Parents information evening

15th October: Flu Vaccinations

23rd October: Last day of this half term

26th-30th October: Half term

2nd November: INSET/Non pupil day

3rd November: Students return after half-term

4th November: Year 9 Parents information evening

16th November - 1st December: Year 11 practice exams

27th November: INSET/Non pupil day

2nd and 3rd December: Year 7 Parents evening

18th December, 1pm: Term ends

4th January: Spring Term starts

29th January: INSET/Non pupil day

Half Term: Monday 15th February to Friday 19th February

24th March: Spring Term ends for students

25th March: INSET/Non pupil day

Easter Holidays: Friday 26th March to Friday 9th April

12th April 202: Summer Term start

Half Term: Monday 31st May to Friday 4th June

7th July: INSET/Non pupil day

Summer Term ends on: Wednesday 21st July 2027 at 1:00pm.