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Dear Parent / Guardian

I write with a number of reminders and updates from the school.

1. Both the Open Evening and Open Morning were a great success. Prospective parents were extremely complimentary about the school, the staff, the pupils and the calm and positive atmosphere. I would like to thank all pupils who came back into school either as guides or to help out in departments. All pupils were a real credit to the school.
2. We are very excited to be potentially launching our first ever Ski trip. The trip will take place in the half term of February 2025 and we are inviting the pupils currently in Years 7, 8 and 9. Pupils will be receiving information via assemblies next week and interested pupils will be bringing a letter home outlining the key details. At the moment we are just gauging interest. If we have enough interested pupils we will proceed with this trip.
3. Year 11 will have another set of mock examinations starting on Monday 13th November. A lot of pupils have already started to take advantage of the after-school revision sessions. The revision sessions that pupils can attend are:
Monday – Option subjects
Tuesday – Option subjects
Wednesday – Maths
Thursday – English
Friday - Science
4. As well as the after-school revision sessions there is a wide range of extra curricula clubs that run every evening after school. We also offer clubs on a Saturday morning for either Fun for all or Drama. Both of these clubs run from 9:30 – 11:30. Please see attached for a copy of this terms extra curricula calendar and encourage your child to make the most of all these excellent opportunities.
5. Advanced notice that the school will be hosting a Year 7 Meet the Form Tutor Evening, which will be starting from 5:30 pm on Wednesday, 11th October – further information to follow. Year 7 pupils have settled in to school really well with staff commenting on how focused they are in lessons and polite around school.
6. Parents of pupils in Years 7 – 10 will have received an email regarding the National Tutoring Programme. If you would like your child to attend the tutoring sessions please go to this link on [MS Forms](#) and complete the questions by Wednesday 27th September. A short deadline date is in place due to the overwhelming popularity last academic year. Please be aware the places will be allocated on a first come first served basis.
7. As to not miss out on important school news, please make sure that you install the Arbor App. Some exciting new features will be available soon. Please contact it-support@nsg.kevibham.org if you have any questions about the Arbor App.

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Arbor has now been linked to the cashless catering system to accept card payments and will go live in school on Monday. Can you please top up your child's account in the Arbor App to clear the deficit that has built up and to also add credit to the account by the end of September. To top up an account in the Arbor App please do the following: On the main screen (dashboard), scroll down to the Accounts section and click on the pupil where it says meals and shows a balance. From here you click 'Top Up Account' and then add a payment amount, the payment can then be made. For further guidance please follow the link below:

<https://support.arbor-education.com/hc/en-us/articles/204177771-Payment-accounts-and-topping-up-the-meal-account-on-the-Parent-Portal-or-Arbor-App#payments-0-1>

Yours sincerely

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