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Dear Parent / Carer

As we approach the end of the first half-term I write with a number of brief updates:

1) Attendance Reward

As you know, each week pupils who have a perfect week - 100% attendance and 0 Behaviour Points will go into a weekly prize draw to win a bar of chocolate. Every student who has a perfect week will also be entered into the termly draw for a £50 amazon voucher.

As we reach the end of a busy half-term, as a special prize for excellent attendance and conduct in the final week of this half term, starting on Monday 21st October all pupils who have a perfect week will win a NSG chocolate bar.

Good attendance is the single biggest factor in children being happy and successful in school – and all the encouragement we can all give in the next week will help. If there is a specific medical condition which may prevent your child from receiving this deserved prize next week, please let their Head of Year know.

2) Year 10 and 11 Homework

We are extremely keen to make sure all our Year 10s and Year 11s complete all homework due to the vital difference this makes in securing great GCSE grades. Therefore, we will be writing to all parents of Year 10 and 11 pupils next week outlining new steps we will be taking to achieve this.

3) Year 7 Parents' Questionnaire

Thank you to all of the Year 7 parents who have already completed their parent questionnaire – your feedback is valuable and we really appreciate the many positive comments. If you have not yet had a chance, please try to find five minutes to follow the link on the email sent last week.

4) Year 7 Disco

Year 7 school disco- For our charity of "toilet twinning", the school council have organised a Year 7 school disco from 3.30-4.45pm on Wednesday 23rd October. Please see the Arbor message as a payment of £2.00 (this includes a can of pop and a bag of sweets) will need to be made for all those attending.





5) Headscarves

At the request of pupils and to bring our school policy in line for headscarves with hair colour, there will be a school uniform amendment from the Monday, 4th November- our current uniform policy states that "any plain black headscarf can be worn". We are amending this to "any plain coloured headscarf can be worn but free from any patterns or lace".

6) Extra-Curricular Clubs and Boosters

The uptake of extra-curricular opportunities (well over 700 attendances each week) is fantastic. Thank you for encouraging and supporting your daughter to attend. Unfortunately, we have to reluctantly **cancel extra-curricular clubs and boosters on Monday 4th November,** with the exception of the Football Club, due to all staff having to complete statutory medical training.

Yours faithfully

Mr Neil Jones Headteacher