

16th February 2024

Dear Parents and Carers

As we approach the half term break, I wanted to thank you for your support over the past few weeks. Whether it has been attending parents' evening appointments, our raising achievement events or working with us in meetings to support your child's progress, we really do appreciate it. A strong link between school and home is key to success, and I have no doubt your child values your support even more than we do.

Attendance, as always, is a top priority. If students' are not in school, they are not making progress. I know that some absence is unavoidable, but as a school we need to do everything we can to support our young people to fulfil their potential. That's why attendance matters so much, and why we communicate home when children are not in school, either through messages, phone calls, letters or home visits. Our policy this year has been to carry out home visits when a student has been absent for three days, and the purpose of these visits is to see how we can work with you to make sure absence is minimised. Please continue to work with us on this – any day lost impact learning time.

For now, I wish you and your family a relaxing half term break – students return to school on Monday 26th February.

With best wishes

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