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Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been another fantastic week here at school, and we are so proud of our students for their hard work and enthusiasm.

Year 11 Mock Exams

Year 11 have been absolutely amazing during their mock exams this week. Their focus, maturity, and determination have really impressed all staff – well done to each and every student!

World Mental Health Day

All students have attended assemblies this week to mark World Mental Health Day. These sessions encouraged everyone to take care of their wellbeing, talk openly about mental health, and support one another.

House Competitions

This week's House Competition was Bingo in the Gym – a great opportunity for students to have fun and show their team spirit. The Inktober art competition is also still ongoing, and we're excited to see the creativity coming through. The Top House this week will be rewarded with a non-uniform day on the last day of this half term (next Friday).

Next Week – Cultural Cuisine Week

Next week we will be holding our Cultural Cuisine Week. Students will have the chance to experience and taste food from different cultures during Period 5 lessons or form time on one day next week. It's a wonderful way to celebrate diversity and learn more about the world through food!

Parent Event

A big thank you to all parents who attended our Parent Event on Tuesday – we hope you found it useful. We'll share more details after half term about our next event, which will take place on Tuesday 9 December, with sessions at 9:00am and 5:00pm once again.

Student Leadership

We were thrilled to have over 120 applications for student leadership roles over the past few weeks. Shortlisting and interviews have now taken place, and we are proud to announce 103 student leaders for 2025-26. The leader names will be announced next week in assemblies and leaders will be badged up. These leadership groups comprise of a Student Council, Anti-bully Ambassadors, House Ambassadors, Faculty leaders, Inclusion leaders, Community leaders and a Year 11 leadership team. Next half term, they will receive leadership training from one of our senior staff and then will meet each term to share with other leadership teams about the impact of their work, plus feedback to whole school through articles in the 'School News' newsletter. Please join us congratulating our leaders, once their names are announced and they share the good news with families. Special mention and well done this year to Alfie and Tobiasz, who were elected to be our 'Head Students'. Being a student leader helps our young people to develop their experiences and employability skills. It also perfectly displays our school value of ASPIRATION.



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As we head into our final week of the half term, we want to thank all our students and families for helping make this such a positive start to the year.

Wishing you all a restful weekend.

Best wishes and take care,

Emma Mills