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Dear Parent/Guardian

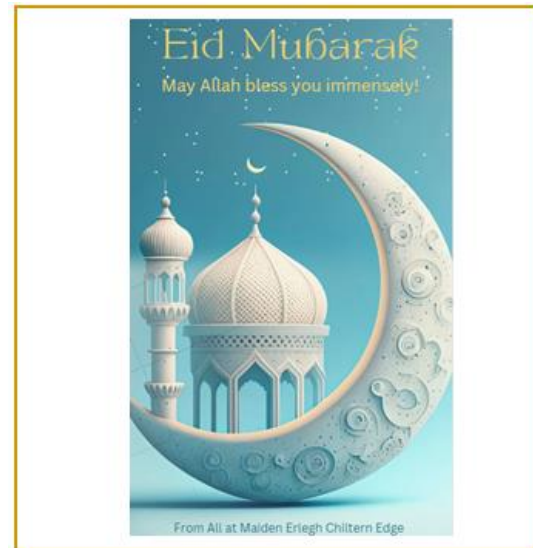
I hope everyone is well and all our MECE families were able to have some quality time together over the Easter break.

Eid

Firstly, may I wish all our Muslim families, 'Eid Mubarak', and may this Eid bring you peace, prosperity, and success in all your endeavours.

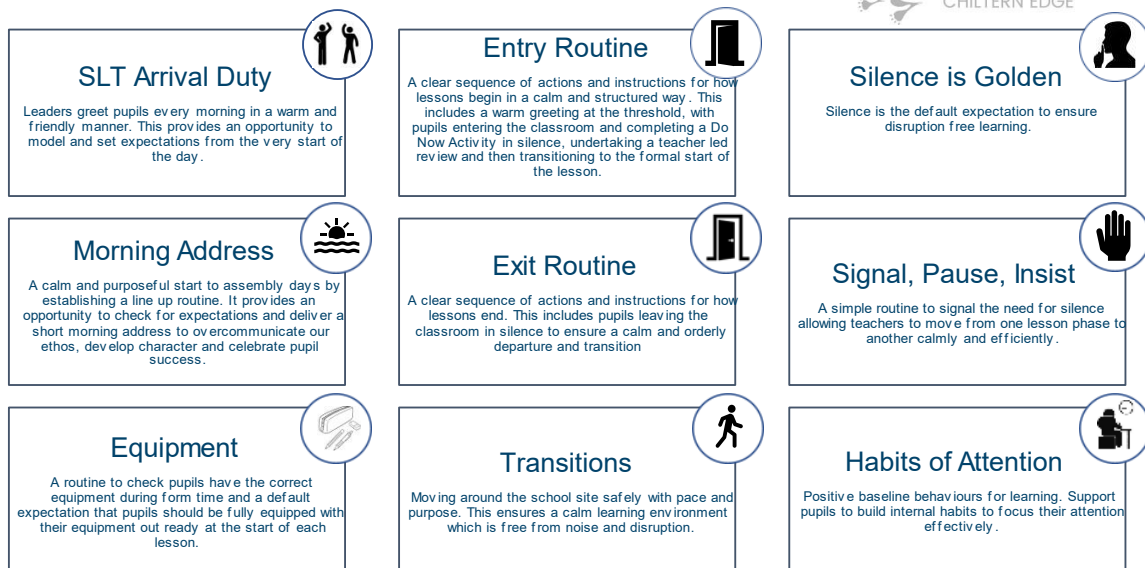
The New Term

This term has started very well, and I have been delighted by the way the students have conducted themselves. I have been holding assemblies this week giving the students some reminders of our expectations and culture. I have been really impressed with the positive way the students have come into assembly so quietly and have listened using our key message of 'track the speaker or the learning'.



This has been mirrored in my frequent tours of the school during the week and on Wednesday I was accompanied by the Chair of Governors as we walked around. The school has felt calm and focused, and I have been delighted at what I have seen. Next week the leadership team and I will be looking at all classes as a part of our regular Quality Assurance work and we will be particularly focused on the learning practices taking place in each classroom.

Our Core Routines

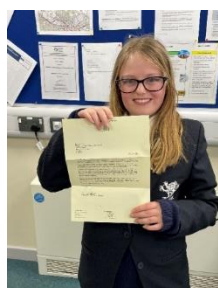


Revision

I was delighted by the good turn out from Year 11 to their Easter School, 80% of the year group attended at least one session and what stood out was the positive attitude to their learning. Additionally, this week has seen the launch of the Year 10 revision block in preparation for their upcoming PPE (mock) examinations and we have seen an average of 80% of the students who were in school attending these sessions, which is very encouraging. Later this term the Year 9s will embark upon their first examinations in the hall and we look forward to preparing them for this more 'real' experience.

Active Leaders and MECE Volunteers

It was a pleasure to hear notification of three of our Year 10s, Oli, Ben and Emily taking part in the Active Leaders course at War Memorial Park in Sonning Common over the Easter break. It is always wonderful to hear about students volunteering and supporting younger students and ensuring the school sits at the heart of the local community.



Extended writing

A big MECE shout out to Brooke from Year 7 who received a lovely letter from our local MP, John Howell, in response to the impassioned letter she wrote to him asking him to do all he could to end the invasion of Ukraine. This stemmed from an exercise in an English lesson regarding non-fiction writing and as you can see from her face, she enjoyed the response to her work!

Strikes

As you will know from our earlier communication the industrial action being taken by the NEU next week once again disrupts our normal working days, however I am pleased that we are able to keep Year 10 and 11 in school for most of these days. I am sure many of you are as frustrated as I am by these strike days so I hope the government can work hard to end any further strikes that are being planned for late June and July.

I hope everyone has a great weekend. Please do not hesitate to leave any feedback using the links below.

Yours

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Headteacher

