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Dear Parent/Guardian

As a headteacher, one of the things I don't get to do so much anymore is actually be in the classroom and teach, so it has been an absolute pleasure to spend periods 1 and 2 this morning doing just that! In period 1 I led the whole of year 11 for their Paper 2 'walking talking' exam practice in the AV, going through each question in fine detail to ensure that they are well prepared for their exam next week. I then covered a year 8 English Romeo and Juliet lesson and was so impressed by the way the students threw themselves into reading a key scene and then working in silence on the follow up task - true MECE stars!

I wish all of year 11 good luck for their core PPE exams next week - do support them to plan revision tomorrow and over the weekend.

Year 8 STEM workshop

On Tuesday all of year 8 took part in a virtual STEM workshop - they listened attentively to the presenter and then took on a range of challenges. I was so impressed with their teamwork skills and ingenuity - huge thanks go to Miss Kirby for organising the event.

Focus Fortnight

I have been really delighted with the way that all students have responded to the Focus Fortnight on uniform and mobile phones. In my assemblies this week all year groups looked really smart, and I talked about how the way they wear their uniform is a symbol of pride in the MECE community. I appreciate all your support at home to ensure that students have the correct uniform and equipment so that they are ready to learn.

INSET day

Tomorrow is our trust INSET day when all teachers and support staff from across MET gather together to share our expertise and experience. This year the conference has been planned around one of our Trust values: Be inclusive. We are very fortunate to have colleagues from special schools Hamilton and Oak Tree to share their expertise working with students with SEND and the day will be beneficial to all the staff who work at MECE.

I look forward to meeting some of you at the year 10 parents evening next week - as always do get in touch with any comments or questions through the usual channels.

Best wishes

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