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Dear Parents and Carers

Launch of the Year 8 "Year of Opportunities" Programme

We are excited to share with you the launch of a new initiative for our Year 8 students: the Year of Opportunities programme.

This programme has been designed to provide our students with enriching experiences that support both their personal development and future aspirations. Each term, Year 8 will take part in a dedicated event focused on the themes of community and careers. These events aim to build essential skills and support them in making the best-informed GCSE choices in year 9.

The programme will begin next term with the introduction of a bespoke tutor programme and the launch of the MECE Passport. This passport will allow students to reflect on and track how they demonstrate our school values across different areas of school life. It will also help them understand how these values contribute to success, both academically and personally.

Our first event will be a team-building day led by the experienced external provider, [WiseUp](#), who specialise in developing collaboration, leadership, and problem-solving skills in young people. This is a fantastic opportunity to strengthen peer relationships and build confidence as we begin this exciting new project.

While the school and CESA are covering the majority of the cost, we are asking parents and carers for a voluntary contribution of £5 to help support the running of the event. Any contributions, however small, are greatly appreciated and will go directly towards enhancing the experience for our students. This is payable via Parentpay.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support.

Best wishes

Sian Haycock
Head of Year 7 & 8

