



21 November 2025

Dear parents/guardian,

We've had a focused and productive week across both year groups, and it's been brilliant to see students settling into the winter term with real determination.

### Attendance This Week

- **Year 9:** 94%
- **Year 10:** 92%

A strong week overall — and Year 10, your improvement is excellent. Keep that momentum going.

### ★ Highlights of the Week

- **Primary School Visits:** Year 10 have continued their community work, and the feedback has been overwhelmingly positive. Their maturity, kindness, and reliability are being noticed.
- **Option Lessons:** I've been dropping into a range of Year 10 option lessons, and the quality of work, enthusiasm, and genuine enjoyment has been fantastic to see.
- **Lionheart Challenge Trip:** A group of Year 9 students took part in the Lionheart Challenge this week. Ms Flett had glowing feedback — every student was engaged, focused, and represented the school impeccably.
- **Work Experience Preparation:** Year 10 have been exploring work experience options again during tutor time. Ms Dunn has begun visiting tutor groups to support students with their ideas — she started with 10A this week and will visit 10B next week.

### Winter Uniform Reminder

As the temperature drops, please ensure students are wearing **coats**, not hoodies. Hoodies will be asked to be removed. Blazers must be worn at all times — especially on assembly days. No one wants to be stood outside waiting for someone to fetch their blazer!

### Anti-Bullying Assembly

This week's assembly was led by Mrs Haycock, focusing on the definition and impact of bullying:

*"The repetitive, intentional hurting of one person or group by another, where there is an imbalance of power. It can be physical, verbal, or psychological — in person or online."*





My message to students is simple: **don't be that person.**

Don't be the reason someone's day becomes harder. Choose kindness. Think before you speak. Support each other. The culture you create together matters.

*"How you treat people says everything about you."*

I continue to be genuinely proud of the effort, maturity, and progress I'm seeing across both year groups. There's a real sense of purpose as we move through the term — let's keep that going.

Wishing you all a calm and cosy weekend ahead – hopefully watching I'm A Celeb!

Take care,

Miss Jackson  
*Head of Year 9 & 10*

