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Dear parent and carers

This first week of January has certainly reminded us that winter is well and truly here. From our surprise snow on Tuesday to the (perhaps disappointing) lack of snow last night alongside some fairly frosty and cold dark mornings. Despite this it has been a pleasure to welcome students back and see how quickly they have settled back into familiar routines.

Attendance has been strong this week, With Year 7 and 9 sitting just under 94% and I would like to thank you for your continued support in helping students start each day ready to learn with the correct uniform and equipment they need. I am also delighted to see the number of positive points that have been awarded with Year 10 streaking ahead in terms of year groups and 8A tutor group in terms of tutor groups. We will be launching the first of our 2026 House Competitions next week to all students – so plenty more points on offer for all over the coming weeks.

This Wednesday, our Year 7 students took part in a workshop focused on the importance of teamwork. The session encouraged them to think about how they work with others, communicate effectively and support one another – skills that are essential throughout school life.

Our Year 11 students, Core Subject interventions began during tutor time. These sessions are designed to provide additional support to students in English, Maths or Science as they continue their preparations for the months ahead.

Looking ahead to next week, our extra-curricular clubs will be back up and running. We hope to see lots of students getting involved and perhaps trying something new – clubs are a great way to build confidence, friendships and interests beyond the classroom.

Students in Years 7-9 will receive a further updated printed timetable on Monday in tutor time following a handful of final tweaks that we have made. Students in Years 10 and 11 are unaffected. The timetable that can be seen on ClassCharts is now the accurate one moving forward.



Thank you, as always, for your ongoing support. I wish you a restful, and hopefully slightly warmer and dryer, weekend and look forward to another positive week ahead.

Yours sincerely



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Headteacher

