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Dear Parents/Carers,

It is hard to believe that we have reached the last Friday before the summer holidays. There is definitely a sense of excitement around school, but I have been so pleased to see students continuing to engage well as we head towards the finish line.

Attendance This Week

- **Year 10: 87%**
- **Year 9: 89%**

These figures are lower than we would like to see. With just **2½ school days remaining**, it is really important that students continue to attend every day. Let's finish the year strongly and maintain the high standards we have worked so hard to achieve.

One of the highlights of this week was our **Celebration Assembly**. It was a wonderful opportunity to reflect on everything students have achieved over the past term and throughout the year. From academic success and improved attendance to extracurricular activities, leadership opportunities and personal growth, there has been so much to celebrate. It is always a pleasure to recognise the students who consistently demonstrate our school values and contribute so positively to the MECE community.

Sports Day was another fantastic highlight of the week. It was wonderful to see both Year 9 and Year 10 getting involved, cheering each other on and representing their houses with such enthusiasm and sportsmanship. A special mention goes to Year 10, who took part in their final Sports Day at MECE. It was great to see so many students embracing the occasion, whether they were competing, supporting friends or helping the event run smoothly. Both year groups were an absolute credit to the school, demonstrating teamwork, resilience and plenty of house spirit throughout the day.

News from Kenya

It was also lovely to hear from our students and staff in **Kenya** this week. We are delighted to know they are all doing well and making the most of such an incredible opportunity. We look forward to hearing all about their experiences when they return.

This week, Year 9 received their PPE results. It was fantastic for students to experience opening their results in a formal way, helping them prepare for what lies ahead in Key



Stage 4. I hope students take time to reflect on what went well and identify areas they would like to improve. These PPEs are not about perfection—they are about learning, growing and building confidence for the future.

There are now just **2½ school days to go**. While everyone is understandably looking forward to the summer holidays, it is important that motivation, attendance, uniform and behaviour remain high right until the very end. Let's make these final days count and finish the academic year with the same pride and determination we have shown throughout *The way you finish is just as important as the way you start.*

Thank you, as always, for your continued support.

Kind regards,



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