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Dear Parent/Carers

I thought I would write to you all to highlight a few things that are happening this term. Firstly, though, I would like to thank all the parents and carers who turned up to our Year 11 Parents' Evening on Thursday 2 February. The turnout was brilliant. The students in year 11 are really focussed on their studies and are working hard to achieve good grades in the summer. Their reports following the mock examinations in December were very positive overall. I would like to thank all year 11 parents and carers for their support.

We break up for half-term on Friday 10 February at 3.20 p.m. and return on Monday 20 February at 8.40 a.m. During the next half-term, the following events are taking place which some of you need to be aware of:

- Friday 2 March Year 9 written reports issued to parents/carers.
- Thursday 8 March Year 9 Parents' Evening 4.30 – 6.30 p.m.
- Friday 16 March Year 10 progress reports Issued to parents/carers.
- Monday 19 March Year 8 progress reports issued to parents/carers.
- Thursday 22 March Year 9 option forms need to be returned to school.
- Monday 26 March Year 7 progress reports issued to parents/carers.
- Thursday 29 March Year 10 Parents' Evening 4.30 – 6.30 p.m.

In addition to reports and parents' evenings, we will be putting on a musical event on Wednesday 21 March in the evening. Further details will be made available to you nearer to the time. It would be lovely if you could attend that event and see the students perform.

I would also like to remind you of our website and how we are using it. All letters that go out to parents and carers are uploaded onto the website so you are able to refer back to letters at any time. We have also put on a lot of information about all the curriculum areas so that you can see what your daughters are learning in all key stages. In addition, there is a lot of detailed information about options in year 9 and in the Sixth Form. I would urge you to use this facility if possible as we also post messages to parents and carers for urgent issues, e.g. school closure due to excessive snow. If you have any ideas about improving the website, then please let us know.

I wish you a good half-term break.

Yours sincerely

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