



Re – School Updates

Dear Parent/Carer

Synergy

Thank you to all those who have already registered for Synergy and have been actively logging in to monitor their child's progress and focus in school. One of the key pieces of feedback we have received is the importance of clear and consistent communication between school and home. As we move forward, *Synergy* will become our primary platform for facilitating this communication. We therefore strongly encourage any parents or carers who have not yet registered to do so as a matter of urgency, to ensure you do not miss any important updates or information from the school.

For those who are unsure how to access or use the Synergy app, we will be holding a drop-in support session on **Wednesday 21st May**, between **3:00 and 4:00pm**. If you would like to attend, please come to the main reception at **3:00pm**. It is our expectation that all parents and carers will be registered on Synergy by the start of the next half term as this will be our only form of communication from this point.

Ensuring Students Are Equipped for Learning

We kindly request your support in ensuring that your child comes to school with the appropriate equipment for their lessons. At a minimum, all students are expected to have their own pencil. Additional recommended items include a pen, ruler, eraser, and glue stick.

At present, the school is incurring significant costs in providing these materials to students who arrive without them which is also disruptive to learning. Unfortunately, these items are not always returned, placing further strain on our increasingly limited budget. We would much prefer to allocate these resources toward enhancing your child's learning experience.

From the start of the next half term, students who do not meet the minimum requirement of bringing a pencil to school will receive a sanction. Naturally, reasonable adjustments will be made where appropriate.

If you have any concerns or require support in this matter, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Uniform Standards and Support

Thank you for your continued support with uniform expectations this term. Our students are looking exceptionally smart, and we take great pride in the positive impression they make on visitors to the school.

As a recognition of their efforts, students who maintain a completely clear original uniform card by the end of this half term will receive a reward. All students will then be issued with a new uniform card after the half-term break.

We kindly ask for your support in reminding your child to check their blazer pockets before garments are placed in the wash, as this helps us maintain the integrity of our uniform monitoring system.

We are keen to uphold the high standards we have achieved this term as we move into the final half term of the academic year. If any family requires support with the provision of uniform items, we have a selection of clean, second-hand uniform available in school, which we are happy to provide.

Smart watches are not permitted in school and phones must be off and in bags at all times.

Classroom Attendance and Minimising Learning Disruptions

Students are being reminded of the importance of remaining in the classroom during lesson time to maximise their learning. Opportunities to refill water bottles and use the toilet are provided during break and lunchtime.

While we would never deny a student access to the toilet, they may be asked to wait until a suitable moment in the lesson to avoid missing essential learning. In most cases, this would involve only a short wait of a few minutes.

From the start of the next half term, we will be keeping a record of students who frequently leave lessons. Where patterns emerge, we will contact parents or carers to discuss possible reasons and work together to find appropriate solutions.

Please note that this does not apply to students who have a toilet pass due to medical needs.

Celebrating Student Achievements

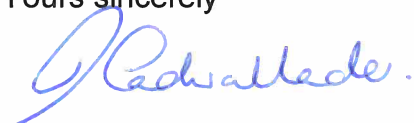
We would like to extend our sincere congratulations to all students who have received rewards this half term. It has been wonderful to see so many young people recognised for their positive contributions.

Our reward sessions have been thoroughly enjoyed, particularly those held outdoors in the sunshine, with activities such as bowls and rounders proving especially popular. The snacks have also been a highlight for many students!

We are pleased to confirm that treat sessions for our top house point earners will continue next half term, along with other rewards such as non-uniform days. We look forward to celebrating even more student successes.

We thank you for your continuing support and we would request that should you have any concerns, that you please do not hesitate to contact us.

Yours sincerely



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