

Dear Parents and Carers,

As we reach the end of this half term, I wanted to take a moment to write to you and celebrate the fantastic progress our students have made. It has been an incredibly busy and productive few weeks, and it is wonderful to see the school community thriving.

Our students have shown remarkable resilience and ambition. This term we have seen positive engagement in:

- assessments, exams and numeracy projects
- meetings with independent careers advisors and apprenticeship providers
- community garden projects & animal care
- a range of sporting activities e.g. golf, climbing at the boulder rooms
- professional master classes in cooking
- enrichment activities such as karaoke, football, D&D, computer club, nail tech and board games
- cultural awareness activities such as Safer Internet Day, Holocaust Day

It is a privilege to watch our students develop not just academically, but as well-rounded individuals.

Important Reminders: Safety and Environment

To ensure that we maintain a focused and safe learning environment when we return after the half term break, I would like to reiterate two key school policies:

1. Mobile Phone Policy: Our goal is to ensure students are fully engaged with their learning and socialising face-to-face. We expect all students to either leave their phones at home or hand them in at the start of the school day. This helps protect our students' mental well-being and eliminate distractions during school hours.

2. Vaping and Health: The health and safety of our pupils is our primary concern. Please be reminded that vaping is strictly prohibited on school grounds. We continue to educate students on the health risks associated with vaping and smoking, and we appreciate your support in reinforcing these expectations.

3. [Letter from Wiltshire Police](#) Wiltshire Police have asked for us to pass this on to parents, please click on the link to read the latest communication regarding knife crime in the region.

We hope that this break provides a well-deserved rest for all our students and their families. We look forward to welcoming everyone back refreshed and ready for the challenges of the next term.

Wishing you all a very happy, relaxing and safe half term.

Warm regards,

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