13 January 2023

Dear Parent/Carer

I hope this letter finds you well, we bring you just a few updates and reminders this week.

Thank you to all for your ongoing support of students' commitment to learning and upholding of our high expectations, it is appreciated. We look forward to speaking to Year 7 and 8 parents soon at Subject Feedback Evenings as we did recently with Year 11 and 13. The support of students' learning from parents is fantastic and we know it makes a huge difference simply to motivate and encourage them to stay on top of homework. Thank you for all you do with this.

Harmful Content Online

Parents will be aware of the reminders we regularly provide on online safety and the guidance available on how best to safely manage devices for learning. We are conscious that students may have more than one device and that these often fall outside College monitoring systems, how this is managed is of course a family decision within the bounds of legal and safe practice online.

You may also be aware of increased public discussion about this in the light of the Online Safety Bill and also discussion of the impact of harmful online content on our young people, particularly targeted at racist, misogynistic and violent content. We have attached with this letter some parent information and guidance about the kinds of conversations you may choose to have at home that complement the discussions and education that is happening in College. As always do contact us if you have concerns about your son/daughter, we can support and advise on best next steps depending on the circumstance and context.

One-Way Traffic System

A reminder to follow the one-way system of traffic flow around the College: approaching the College from the junction by the Half Moon public house and exiting past Heathfield Park.

It makes things so much easier for traffic flow and, if we all use this route, it will be quicker in the long run for everyone. Staff and Sixth Form have also been reminded of this to ensure equality for all.



Thank you again for your ongoing support, please also continue to view our <u>Latest News</u> on the website for more about recent student achievements such as the recognition this week for excellence in Bedrock vocabulary practice.

Yours sincerely

MS C BARLOW Headteacher



















DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Monday 16 - Friday 20 January	House Table Tennis Competition	During lunch break
Monday 16 January	Year 7 Planetarium Event	
	Pre-loved Uniform Sale	Link Hall
	&	3.15pm - 4.45pm
	Lost Property from Terms 1 & 2	
	(please note any unclaimed	
	items will be disposed after this	
	date)	
Wednesday 18 January	Ayo Awotona, Motivational	
	Speaker for Year 9 & 10 Girls	
Thursday 19 January	Year 7 Subject Feedback	Virtual
	Evening	4.30-7.00pm
Monday 23 January	Years 7 - 9 Influenza Nasal	
	Vaccination (Catch Up Session)	