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Dear Parent/Carer

I cannot thank parents enough for the support and contact over the last week. It has been enormously reassuring to staff and is really appreciated. At a time when all the national rhetoric speaks to a fracturing of the 'social contract' in terms of school attendance, anti-social behaviour etc. it is hugely empowering for us all to see that the Heathfield community is strong and resilient, determined to work together in the face of significant societal challenges for the benefit of our young people. Thank you.

I also share here the latest copy of **Headlines**: <https://www.heathfieldcc.co.uk/?p=2283218>. It can also be downloaded if you prefer to read or print it as a PDF. Congratulations to all for such fantastic achievements and engagement this term. It contains dates for your diary and a wide range of celebratory information.

Please also note in your diary the additional INSET Days in January. We will aim to provide online learning (to be confirmed) but on Tuesday 2 and Wednesday 3 January 2024 students will not be onsite.

Headlines also includes the released GCSE performance tables data, which confirms Heathfield Community College's position as the highest ranking non-selective school in East Sussex for both attainment (grades) and achievement (progress). **Congratulations** to all from the class of 2023.

I hope the half term break brings time for some rest, as well as some clear revision for exam groups as we move towards mocks in Term 2, the balance is important for us all. Thank you again for all you have done as parents to support our young people this term.

Yours sincerely

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