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Dear Parent/Carer

It has been an action packed week at Sybil Andrews Academy.

This week our Year 10 and 11 students have started their GCSE revision sessions and the uptake has been fantastic. With a week to go before Year 11 Core Mocks start it is nice to see how much hard work is going on.

We have also been celebrating Year 7 students reaching their 100 merits, some of you may have seen our posts through Facebook and Twitter #100meritclub; well done to all those students and keep up the hard work.

We have had school photographs for Years 7, 9 and 11 and will be issuing proofs when they arrive from the company. Furthermore, immunisations for Year 10 have taken place this week and we are pleased to be catching up on this programme.

Finally in assemblies this week we launched some of the whole school leadership opportunities; we look forward to seeing a large number of applications from students in all year groups.

Next week the school will be broadcasting the virtual Open Evening and meeting with Year 6 students and their parents via Zoom meetings. Whilst it is a shame that we will not be holding our Open Evening at the school due to Covid-19 restrictions we are very much looking forward to meeting visitors through this virtual platform.

### **COVID-19 UPDATE**

We will be uploading to our website a quick guide for parents which relates to Covid-19 related absences from school. We hope this might serve as a useful reminder should you need it.

We have seen an increase in the wearing of face masks around the site this week following our announcement that we strongly recommend them being worn in communal areas. Staff are continuing to reinforce their importance and I would appreciate if parents were able to do the same.

Our message to students this week in our daily Covid briefing has been to share the new government slogan 'hands, face, space'.

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As you will be aware from our reopening information, we have added two items to the uniform/equipment list as a result of our Covid measures. The first is the student name/year group colour badge and the second is a mini whiteboard. These have been issued to all students and it is important they take responsibility for these to avoid losing them. These are now an essential part of the equipment needed in school and replacements will need to be charged for.

Thank you for your continued support. Wishing you a good weekend take care and stay safe.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "T King".

T King  
Headteacher

