

Our Ref: HRu/JEd

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Dear Parent/ Carer,

We wanted to get in touch at the beginning of the final half term of the academic year to inform you about a re-focus at the school on the following areas both now and in preparation for the new academic year.

## The Classroom

We are going to continue with our main focus being on what is happening in the classroom. This will help us to ensure students are well placed to start next year, catching up where possible on anything missed during the lockdown. We will be issuing all students with new exercise books over the next two weeks, in advance of September to signify this fresh start. We know that some books have become tatty during lockdown and providing students new books now means they can ensure that presentation and work expectations are a focus this half term. Additionally we are going to focus further on the presentation of and grammar in student work. To support with this we would appreciate if all parents could support their son/daughter having correct equipment; as a minimum we recommend:-

• Black or blue pen, pencil, ruler and calculator.

## **Uniform**

We have always focused on high standards of uniform at the school however reminders are needed from time to time. We will be focusing this half term on the following aspects:-

• Student shirts, ties, skirts and blazers.

## Kind language

One of our values is that we are kind and we strongly believe that as a community being kind and courteous to one another is paramount regardless of whether it is staff or students. Therefore, we will be running assemblies this term around being tolerant, being kind to one another and the use of appropriate language around the site.

## **Praise**

We fully believe that it is vital to celebrate success and we are going to push being caught doing the right thing and with this, we will focus on an increased amount of communication with home via praise postcards when students worked hard doing well or contributing positively to the school values.

We would like to thank all parents in advance for your support with the above and hope that this final term of this academic year is successful for all students.

Yours sincerely

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