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Dear Parents/Carers

As we reach the end of a busy and successful term, I would like to take the opportunity to update you on some items.

Having reflected on our first complete term, I would like to commend our students for their participation. I would also like to thank all staff for their tireless dedication. We have made many changes to systems and structures during the first term but this will help establish the best learning environment for your children going forward. You will be glad to know that things will settle down from January as we further embed our new policies and welcome new members of permanent staff who will focus on our new Literacy for Life Curriculum. Our Pastoral team will also grow in number to support the every day needs of our children.

Our current Year 11 students have recently completed a fortnight of pre-public examinations. We will analyse this information to find both areas of strength and development. This will prepare students better for the real thing in the summer.

I am very happy to share that we will be launching our 'CORE Characteristics'. These characteristics map each Value to a student entitlement agreed by the Headteacher. The characteristics will be identifiable features of the School. They will also be celebrated with visitors and stakeholders.

Collaboration CORE characteristic

Every student will have access to develop their skills through strong community partnerships.

Opportunity CORE characteristic

Every student has access to extra-curricular music, dance or drama tuition.

Respect CORE characteristic

Every student commits to support one of several charitable organisations selected by the student leadership group.

Excellence CORE characteristic

Every student is given the opportunity to embrace excellence through our 'CORE academy values'.

I will be in touch early 2019 but in the meantime, have a wonderful Christmas and New Year with family and friends and I look forward to welcoming all students back 7th January, 11am start.

Yours Sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'D. Bailey'.

David Bailey
Headteacher

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