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Dear Parents/carers

With school being closed to students tomorrow for an INSET day my last weekly letter of Term 1 arrives with you a day earlier than normal. Parent tours of the school site concluded this morning with over 140 families being shown around the site during the school day. This represented a significant increase in interest based on previous years. Visitors were very complimentary about the conduct and engagement of students after their visits.

Mock exams - Wk Commencing 11th November

Students in year 11 and 13 are continuing to prepare for their mock exams that begin in the second week of term 2. There will be a mixture of assessments sat in the larger exam hall and in classrooms, given the demands on space with all year groups still on site. These are an important part of the process, preparing students for the demands of the official exam season in the summer. As parents I would ask that as part of the support offered, students should arrive with all the correct equipment for their exam and know their seat number. This enables exams to start promptly without fuss. Students will receive their results altogether, replicating the experience in the summer, on 19th December.

Year 7 Poetry Performance

I thoroughly enjoyed being one of the judges at the annual poetry performance on Tuesday afternoon. This is the third year this event has run and the quality of performances are improving year on year. I am sure the parents who came to see the performances in the after school session were as equally impressed. Many congratulations to Mrs Cooper and Mrs Truscott who ably worked on the winning performance by 7G.

Term 2 – Monday 4th November

Term 2 starts on Monday 4th November which will be a week 1.

Finally... I wish all the staff and students who are travelling to Iceland over the break a fantastic trip and I am very much looking forward to hearing all about it when they return to school on Friday 8th November.

I wish everyone a relaxing week's holiday where we can recharge after a very long term and be ready for Term 2.

Take care and Be Kind

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