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Dear Parents and Carers,

MER “Heads Up” News

We have had a truly fantastic start to the new academic year, the students are embodying our ethos of calm and ready to learn, uniforms look great, and our new line ups first thing are really helping to start the day well, thank you to you all for your support in all of this. There has also been a positive start to the year in terms of student attendance. Our current attendance figure stands at 93.4%, with Year 7 leading the way with almost 98% attendance. Thank you for all your support in encouraging your child to attend school every day; it really does make a difference, please don't keep them at home if they have a sniffle, being in school and learning will often work wonders in terms of student's health and well-being.

Earlier this week we held our Year 6 Open Evening - this was extremely well attended, we had the hall full for both the Headteacher speeches and lots of our current students volunteered to help in departments or be tour guides which was lovely to see. It wasn't just myself who spoke to the parents either, we had speeches from our two Head Students for this year, Laura and Ganesh in year 11, and also speeches from Jayden and Elyse in Year 7; we were all so proud of them, Mr Hibbins especially so, for being so confident and willing to speak in front of such large crowds. Next week will see the first of our Open Mornings where people get the chance to see the school in action; we look forward to welcoming parents and Year 6 children on Thursday 3rd October.

We have also held Information Evenings for years 7-9 and look forward to welcoming parents/carers of Years 10 & 11 on Tuesday and Wednesday evenings next week, more information will have been sent in the weekly comms.

Speaking of weekly comms, we do try to keep communications to a minimum so that you are not inundated with emails from us; we send out weekly comms on a Wednesday which contains links to all the letters of the week. Please do read these communications that we send, they contain important dates for your diary as well as other information that you need to know about. They are sent out to the email addresses listed for contacts with parental responsibility on our MIS and it is also sent out via an announcement on Class Charts. All Year 7 students were given a paper copy of the parent code with instructions on how to log in when they started, and Year 8 & 9 were given out to parents who attended and requested it at the Information Evenings last week and the same will be done for Years 10 & 11. For those of you who have the Bromcom App 'My Child at School' – as we only use this now for issuing reports, we have decided that going forward we will have reports emailed out to parents – meaning that ClassCharts is the only App that we suggest you will need to keep up with your child at MER. If you have problems with ClassCharts, please do send an email to



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Best wishes



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