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Year 10 Newsletter 1

Belonging 2026 - 2027

Dear Parents and Carers,

As we reach the end of this term, we want to take a moment to reflect on what has been a truly remarkable first term for Year 10. Moving into Key Stage 4 is a major step—the expectations are higher, the pace is faster, and the goals are bigger. Yet, what has impressed us most isn't just how hard the students have worked in their new GCSEs, but how they have shown up for each other.

Year 10 is the year where community becomes everything. Belonging is built in the everyday moments: welcoming new classmates, supporting each other, showing up every morning to PDI with positivity, and taking real pride in being part of this year group.

Celebrating the Positives & Highlights

It has been a term packed with individual achievements and collective wins. Here are just a few things that have made us exceptionally proud:

- Incredible Classroom Engagement: Teachers across every department have commented on the maturity, curiosity, and focus that Year 10 have brought to their new option subjects.
- Model Conduct & Attendance: The dedication of the majority of the year group to being here, on time, and ready to learn is outstanding.
- Achievements: A whopping 7819 achievement points have been awarded for outstanding effort and demonstrating our core values this term!

Stepping Up: Seizing Every Opportunity

Belonging means taking an active role in shaping our school environment, and Year 10 students have taken every opportunity given to them and run with it:

- Student Leadership: So many of our students have stepped forward to act as student leaders and ambassadors.
- Extracurricular: Whether representing the school on the sports field in netball, cross country, football, as a musician or in Drama - rehearsals are well underway for our Christmas show 'Beauty and the Beast'; enthusiasm and team spirit have been unmatched.
- Work Experience & Future Focus: Year 10 have engaged brilliantly with starting to prepare for work experience placements and are having mature conversations about what their futures might hold.

Thank you for your continued support, we can't wait to welcome Year 10 back next term to continue building on this fantastic momentum.

Have a brilliant, safe, and restful break!

Best wishes,

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