

EMF/jr
December 2022

Dear Parent/Guardian

Re: Year 10 – End of Term

As always this term has flown by. It has taken a while for me to get to know the students and for them to get to know me, as well as how the year group should be working at this moment in their education but I feel that progress is being made. It has been really nice to meet with many parents and work with you to support your children this term. I am certain that I will meet many more of you as the year progresses and I look forward to that immensely.

This term has seen a variety of highlights with moments to celebrate and things to look forward to in the coming term. We have been lucky enough to see a number of students taking part in the school production, which as always, was a great success and I know that my predecessor, Mrs Heath was extremely proud of those who chose to perform under her leadership. I also know that the Dance Live students are working hard with their choreography to perfect their dance ready for the performance in late spring.

Notably, students have started to consolidate the foundation work they did in Year 9 and it is really nice to see growing maturity towards their academic studies. The year group was also able to spend time with many of the local colleges and organisations that offer a whole host of courses to continue with their studies post Wildern.

The practice exams period will begin in January and it is important that whilst there is time for rest and relaxation over the festive period, that work is not forgotten. Students need to begin planning their revision in order to consolidate their learning further. We hope that by replicating the process that will be followed in November and their final examinations in Year 11 that all students will build confidence in their ability to carry out the exams without any issues.

I am also looking forward to students applying for the positions of Prefects and in the Head Student team. This is always one of the highlights of the Spring term and I hope that there will be many students who apply; we have a plethora of talented students who have already worked hard through the focus groups to make positive changes to our school community. I am delighted that we also have a number of students who have undertaken training for the Diana Award, to become Anti-Bullying Ambassadors. I hope that once this process has been completed all students will reap the benefits of their knowledge.

I would like to take this opportunity to publicly thank the Year 10 Pastoral Team for all the hard work and support that they have given the students so far this year. I would like to give a special mention to Mrs Thorpe, who is leaving us. I would also like to formally welcome to the team Mrs Searley, Miss Ahmed and Miss Clarke, who has recently joined me in the Year office.

Finally, I would like to wish you all an enjoyable and relaxing Christmas holiday. I look forward to students returning on Tuesday 3 January 2022 and I hope to see them refreshed and ready for the continued challenge of Year 10.

Yours faithfully

Mrs Fearon
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