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Dear Parent/Guardian

## Year 10 – End of Term

As always this term has flown by. Throughout the term it has been really nice to meet with many parents and work with you to support your children. This year, this term has been the longest I have known it be in my career in teaching, we will be 15 weeks into the school year and I am proud of the resilience and determination shown by the students so far this year.

There have been many successful trips over the term. I had the privilege of going on the Iceland trip; the students who attended were a credit to their parents and the school, this is in line with the feedback I have had from colleagues who have led other trips and it is so pleasing to hear that students continue to show communities outside of Wildern what outstanding young people they are.

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 am extremely proud of those who chose to perform. 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.

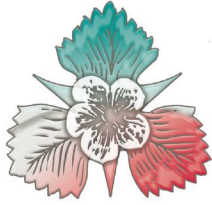
Notably, students have started to consolidate the work they did in Year 9 and it is really nice to see growing maturity towards their academic studies. The year group was also able to spend time with many of the local colleges and organisations that offer a whole host of courses to continue with their 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 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 am extremely lucky to have such a committed and supportive tutor team in year 10 and cannot thank them enough for the work they do on a daily basis





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to support the students within the year group. I would like to give a special mention to Mr Ryan-Heaney, who has recently joined me in the Year office and is working alongside me to support the progress and achievement of all students in Year 10.

Finally, I would like to wish you all an enjoyable and relaxing Christmas holiday. I look forward to students returning on Monday 6 January 2025 and I hope to see them refreshed and ready for the continued challenge of Year 10.

Yours faithfully

**Mr Z Kinnaird**

Director of Progress & Achievement – Year 10

