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Dear Parents/Carers

WEEKLY UPDATE

As you know the school had a 2-day inspection this week and I write to thank those parents who completed the parent questionnaire as well as those that took the time to call in and speak to the inspectors. The outcome remains confidential until Ofsted release their official report and we will obviously share their findings with you when we can.

Our Y11's sat their final GCSE this week and it was with great sadness that we saw them leave the school for the last time. This time of year is always quite emotional for us as staffing body as although the Y11's are excited for their next educational chapter, we have seen them arrive as small students in Y7 and have watched them grow into these tall young men in Y11. I truly look forward to seeing them all again on Results Day.

Our Y10's had their first taste of what is in store for them next summer by sitting all their mocks under exam conditions in the Hall. I am very impressed how they have conducted themselves and their attitude towards their exams. We wish them all the best of luck in their exams next week. As parents, please continue to support your son at home by ensuring he is revising.

The rest of the school, Y7, Y8 and Y9, have also been taking part in end of year assessments during their lessons and that will also continue into next week.

Thank you to those parents who attended the KS3 Evening last night. I presented to parents our teaching model and how you can support your children at home. It was a pleasure to meet and speak with you. To those parents that were unable to attend, I will ensure the presentation is on the website.

NHS nurses will be on site on Monday 27 June to administer immunisations for the second dose of HPV and DTP/MEN for Y8, Y9 and Y10 students. Parents who have given consent have been sent a text to notify them that this is taking place. Parents who did not give consent were also asked to notify NHS Bromley. For any questions, please contact the Bromley Immunisation Team on 0203 903 3375.

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Yesterday, 12 of our Y8 and Y9 students were involved in a STEM (Science, Technology, English and Maths) competition at South East London College Bromley with 9 other schools. The activities included robotics, E-fit, electric vehicle and medical diagnostics. Mrs Morris and Ms Oguike had to act as Mrs Button (a confused 83-year-old woman) who was brought into the hospital by paramedics. The students had to ask several questions to find out what was wrong with Mrs Button.

Ms Oguike also had to act as a mobile phone thief and our students had to use a computer programme (E-fit) to investigate the crime. For the electric vehicle task, our students were given pieces of materials with instructions and then asked to construct a moving electric vehicle.

Our students were highly challenged and threw themselves into all the activities with such passion and enthusiasm. Both Mrs Morris and Ms Oguike expressed just how very very proud they were of our students. They said their behaviour was impeccable and the day was topped off by the school winning a prize for "Designing the best and fastest electric vehicle". Well done to all those students who were involved.

Our latest cricket report from Mr Lonergan was that our Y8's suffered a very narrow defeat yesterday against a local school by only losing the game on the very last over. Our Y8 cricketers are extremely resilient and although disappointing for them they know that they are improving game on game.

Mr Lonergan and Mr Walden have today trialled the route for the Duke of Edinburgh hike that is happening for 27 of our Y9 and Y10 students on 15 July 2022. I look forward to reporting on that in a few week's time.

As always, thank you for your support.

Yours faithfully

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