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Dear Parents and Carers,

We are now at the end of week three of the term and what a brilliant start it has been. Our students have settled back into school so well and they really do deserve a huge "well done."

Yondr

I must say how impressed we all have been with how quickly everyone has adapted to the Yondr pouches. The difference in the classrooms has been amazing. Lessons feel calm, focused and purposeful and the overall, atmosphere around school has been wonderful. Students across the past two weeks are socialising more and taking part in clubs or activities.

Thank you so much for the encouragement you have given at home – it really has made all the difference. We are already seeing the benefits of reduced screen time and fewer distractions and we are confident this will pay off even more in the months ahead.

Student Leadership

Another real highlight has been the response to student leadership. Over the last two weeks we have received an incredible number of applications from students eager to take on responsibilities and help shape our school community. We will be taking some time to read through them all carefully and will be letting students know the outcomes soon.

If your child would still like to get involved, it's not too late. Application forms are available from main Reception and can be returned to Mr Milner or Reception.

Extra-curricular clubs (Beyond the Classroom)

This week also saw the launch of our extra-curricular clubs, with over 39 activities running across the week. We have been blown away by the number of students turning up – so much so that a couple of times we have run short of equipment!



Please bear with us while we get extra resources in place; we want to make sure that everyone who wants to join in can do so.

Please <u>click here</u> to view our latest list of extra-curricular activities.

Parental Evenings

It's also been lovely to see so many Parents and Carers at our Year 10 and Year 11 Parent Information Evenings, as well as the Year 7 Settling-In Evening. Your support at these events makes a huge difference – when school and home work closely together, it really does help our young people to thrive.

Cooler Weather

Finally, as we move into the cooler weather months, please ensure your child comes to school with a suitable waterproof coat and, if needed, an umbrella. We know some students travel a distance, and it's uncomfortable for them to sit through the day when they arrive wet through.

A quick reminder too that hoodies, sports jackets and denim jackets are not permitted as alternatives to school coats. Students may choose to wear The Hart School jumper as the alternative for warmth.

Thank you once again for your continued support. It's been a joy to see the term get off to such a positive start and we are really excited for what's to come....

Wishing you a lovely weekend when it arrives.

Yours sincerely,

Miss R Sandham

Principal