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Principal's Update

Dear Parents and Carers,

We have reached the end of a busy and very positive first half term! Please do take a look at our **newsletter,** celebrating what has been going on this term, which can be viewed here.

Attendance

We are pleased to report that our term 1 attendance has improved from the same period last academic year. Thank you to all of our families for ensuring that your child is in school, on time, every day and ready to learn. We will continue our drive to even better attendance in term 2, and have lots of house and festive events for students to look forward to, alongside all of the learning taking place in classes: watch this space for further updates!

Flu Vaccinations – Wednesday 4th November 2026

Flu vaccinations will take place in school on Wednesday 4th November for all students in Years 7 to 11. Please look out for an email from the NHS to consent for your child's flu vaccination. It is important that you complete the consent form prior to the vaccination day. Consent will not be permitted on the day of the vaccinations as the nursing team will only have enough vaccines for those that have consented before the 4th of November.

Y11 Maths Assessments

Please note that Y11 have in-class maths assessments taking place on Monday 9th, Tuesday 10th, Thursday 12th and Monday 16th November. Attendance to these assessments is essential to ensure that any gaps in knowledge are identified well ahead of the January mock exams. Any questions can be emailed to Mr Adams, Head of Maths: dadams@theferrers.org. Thank you for your support.

Sixth Form Open Evening – Thursday 12th November 2026

We look forward to welcoming prospective families to our Sixth Form Open Evening in November. Tickets are now available to book here.

Y13 Mock Examinations

Y13 mock examinations commence on Monday 23rd November for two weeks. Students have been preparing for these in class and we wish all students the very best of luck!

Equipment & Uniform

Thank you for ensuring that your child is equipped and ready to learn. We will be carrying out equipment checks after the holiday, as it is essential that learning proceeds without interruption. As such, please can you ensure that your child returns after October half term with a fully stocked pencil case and a scientific calculator.

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As the weather grows colder, please also ensure that your child brings a waterproof coat to school. Please note that hoodies, quarter zips and tracksuit tops are not a substitute for a coat and will be confiscated for the day if seen. Many thanks for your support.

Key Dates

Friday 23rd October – Disaggregated training day – school closed to students
Monday 2nd November – Staff Training Day – school closed to students
Tuesday 3rd November – School reopens for Term 2
Wednesday 4th November – Flu vaccinations for Years 7-11
Thursday 5th November – Y12 visit to University of Northampton Apprenticeship Fair
Monday 9th, Tuesday 10th, Thursday 12th and Monday 16th November – Y11 in-class maths assessments
Tuesday 10th November - Y10 GCSE Geography Fieldtrip to Cambridge (Group 1)
Wednesday 11th November – Whole school remembrance service end of P2
Thursday 12th November - Y10 GCSE Geography Fieldtrip to Cambridge (Group 2)
Thursday 12th November – Sixth Form Open Evening 4.45-7.00 pm
Wednesday 18th November – Y7 Sing Up 4.15 pm
Monday 23rd November – Y13 mock exams commence for two weeks
Monday 23rd November – Y11 'A Christmas Carol' theatre group performance – 9-10.30am
Tuesday 24th November – Y8 French restaurant trip
Tuesday 24th November – Y10 Parents' Evening (virtual)
Friday 27th November - Disaggregated training day – school closed to students
Tuesday 1st December – Y8 Parents' Evening (virtual)
Wednesday 9th December – Winter Showcase 6.00pm
Friday 18th December – school closes for Christmas – early closure, 1.30pm

We wish all of our students and families a restful, relaxing half term break and thank you, as always, for your continued support. **Students return to school on Tuesday 3rd November.**

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us at mail@theferrers.org.

Yours sincerely,



Clare Raku
Principal