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Dear Parent/Carer

Year 8 Key Dates

We have had an excellent start back to school after the summer holiday and Year 8 have returned refreshed, well presented and ready for the challenge ahead.

We look forward to working with the students this year, and developing them both academically and personally.

Uniform, punctuality and excellent organisation set the tone for success. The Year 8 team will be placing a great importance on this foundation for learning and will work in partnership with home to achieve it. When we go into lessons we expect to see engagement, effort, enthusiasm and courtesy. This is the culture which we believe develops successful learners. We know that these are priorities you share, and we look forward to achieving them together.

Since the start of Year 7 there have been a few changes in the Pastoral Team as I'm sure many of you are aware. Mr Walker has replaced Mrs Ball as Wellbeing Leader. Mr Mannion has also temporarily stepped in to cover Mrs Heighway's maternity as Assistant Progress Leader.

Please see below some important upcoming dates for the Autumn Term and relevant parents' evening for the year.

| Date | Event Details |
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| 29 th September 2016 | European Day of Languages |
| 30 th September 2016 | Non Uniform Day |
| 14 th October 2016 | Spanish Language day |
| 21 st October 2016 | PD Day – school closed |
| 24th- 28th October 2016 | Half Term |
| 7 th -11 th November 2016 | Literacy Splash Week |
| 17 th -18 th November 2016 | Year 8 Parent Learning Event |
| 14 th -18 th November 2016 | Anti-Bullying week |
| 18 th November 2016 | Non Uniform Day |
| 8 th December 2016 | Autumn Rewards Trip |
| 15 th December 2016 | Carol Concert |
| 16 th December 2016 | Christmas Jumper Day |
| 19th December 2016 - 2nd January 2017 | Christmas Holiday |
| 23 rd March 2017 | Year 8 Parents' Evening |

Yours sincerely

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Mr D Pritchard
Progress Leader Year 8

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