

9<sup>th</sup> February 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

As we come to the end of a short, yet very busy half-term, I write to wish you and your family a safe and restful break.


We have a lot to celebrate this half-term with a few highlights below:

- Congratulations to our Year 13 students who have completed their UCAS applications for universities. We are so proud of them and cannot wait to hear of their successes.
- Our Year 10 students completed their work experience placements and the feedback from the many organisations we worked with has been excellent; our students represented the school with pride.
- Our students in Resource Base watched a pantomime at Birmingham Hippodrome and were praised by the public and theatre staff for how brilliant they were.
- We welcomed Parents and Carers to our Year 9 consultation and options evening and our students have started to select their options. Don't forget the deadline to submit Year 9 options forms is **1<sup>st</sup> March 2024**.
- Our Year 11 students started their final mock examinations this week. I have been so impressed with how many students are attending after-school and weekend classes; this is a year group who are committed to their own success.
- We welcomed providers from local Sixth Forms, Colleges, and Apprenticeship schemes to meet with our students in Year 11.
- We invited Parents and Carers for students in Year 8, Year 9, and Year 10 to attend our Parent/Carer forums. Despite some challenging weather, the turnout was great!
- We promoted the importance of online safety through assemblies, form-time workshops, and bespoke lessons for our learners to recognise both Children's Mental Health week and Internet Safety Day.

Please look out for an e-mail from Mr Leese, Vice-Principal, setting out our new homework plans for students in Years 7, 8, & 9. You can read this online below:  
<https://www.waverley.bham.sch.uk/news/?pid=6&nid=1&storyid=249>

School will re-open to all students on Monday 19<sup>th</sup> February 2024 at 8:20am.

Yours sincerely,



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Principal  
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