Dear Parent and Student,

This week I want to profile the work of our new Student Academic Board and also highlight the forthcoming ‘Maths Week’.

Before handing over to our students and colleagues I do, however, want to welcome you back to our second half-term of this academic year. It promises to be a very busy one. As you know, many year groups have PPEs and assessments and we have only six weeks until we break for the Christmas holidays. Also please put in your diaries our ‘Occasional Day ‘holiday Friday 29 November as the school is closed to all staff and students on this day.

Now, to the fun of Maths and some of the activities that the students will be involved in. Below is the powerpoint that all students will see, which details activities, that will be taking place during this forthcoming week.

‘Maths Week’

11th – 15th November 2019
Maths’ Week
Year 7 & 8 – Number quiz

• Collect a quiz from your tutor.

• Complete the questions.

• Find the member of staff wearing that number and write down their name as the answer.

• Submit your answers to any Maths teacher by Monday 18th December.
Next to our newly constituted great group of young people who are working with Mrs Larminie as Academic Board Members. This week students are sharing information on this initiative.

Scarlett Stratton, Year 9, writes

The Academic Board is where we look at aspects of our school experience and education. We investigate our school and work together to make the school a better and more enjoyable place for students and staff to learn and work together. School is for everyone, however some students may have ideas about improvement but are not sure who to tell or how to make changes. I wanted to be part of the Academic Board because I want to make sure that everyone enjoys school and has an even better learning experience.

Umar Nasib, Year 12, writes

I wanted to be part of the Academic Board because working with the school to enable opportunities, not just to help me but other people in the school community, is important to me. I want all students to benefit from changes in the future and I want to have some influence in what would better the school academically. Being part of this board of students allows me to speak up for students. This is a great level of responsibility for me,
which is why I like being part of it. It takes me out of my comfort zone and it makes me feel proud. I have been in this school for over 6 years and have seen lots of positive changes in the school such as the teaching and services provided to us. By being part of the Academic Board, I think we can make even more improvements working together.

Let's look forward to them.

Very best wishes for a great week ahead

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