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Dear Parent/Carer,

As we draw a close to the half term, we have seen even more sporting successes, fascinating trips and individual achievements. I would like to wish all our learners and their families a lovely half term when it arrives.

Year 7 Meet the Tutor Evening

We had a fantastic turnout for our Year 7 Meet the Tutor Evening. Some very positive discussions taking place about how our year 7 students have settled into the academy during their first half term with us. I hope you found this event both useful and informative and would like to thank you for your valued support.

Important Bus Information

From Monday 21st October to Friday 25th October Station Lane, Hedon will be closed. This will mean that the 1S, 2SA, 2SB and 3S bus services will have to use Staithes Road, Preston and Hull Road, Hedon (similar to the diversion that was in place in September). This will only affect the PM journey home from school. This may result in students arriving home slightly later than normal during this week.

Migration to Arbor Behaviour Module – Parent Information update

As you know we have now migrated to Arbor to use the behaviour and rewards module, one of the reasons is to support parents/carers to have everything in one place. As with all migrations, we are working hard to ensure we maximise its potential and make things as easy as possible for its users. We have noticed that it appears that detentions are given for a range of reasons, such as not having the correct equipment. However, Arbor only communicates this, in that way, when a student receives a 5th comment in the week. For example:

STUDENT NAME has an Afterschool Detention on 22 Oct 2024, 15:00 - 16:00 for Lack of equipment.

Lack of equipment in isolation is not a detention but when it is the 5th comment that week, it will be communicated this way.

Upcoming Vaccinations

Vaccinations UK will be visiting the Academy on **Friday 29th November** and **Friday 13th December** to carry out the Flu Vaccinations. Communication, including consent links, will be sent out to all parents/carers ahead of each session.

Trips/Visits

We have already had some fantastic trips and visit opportunities for our learners during the first half term:

Wednesday 9th October – Women into Manufacturing and Engineering (WiME) – We had the pleasure of taking some of our Year 9 female learners to the Guildhall in Hull to boost their awareness around women working in manufacturing and engineering.

Monday 14th October - Y13 Spurn Point Field trip – Our A Level science students spent a wonderfully sunny morning at Spurn Point looking at vegetation succession across a dune transect to support their studies.

Tuesday 15th October – Student Voice (Guildhall) – Our learners met with other schools to discuss and share their own career experiences; more meetings will follow!

Thursday 17th October – Year 8 Foundations Live Event – Our Year 8 learners were a real credit to the academy whilst interacting with over 70 trade exhibits and demos at Bishop Burton College. Well done Year 8!

Sporting achievements

I would like to congratulate our students for their sporting achievements this term. Once again, showcasing the hard work and resilience of our Holderness Learners:

Year 9 Boys' Rugby - Outstanding effort from the Year 9 boys rugby team who were defeated by a good Sirius West team 38-12. The boys stuck together and defended well. Try scorers on the night Elliot S and Luke D put great performance and fully deserved their tries.

Year 7 Boys' Football – Our Year 7 boys football team were defeated by a good Sirius West team 5-0 in the National cup. Excellent 2nd half performance with the boys playing some great pro- active football. Well done all!

East Riding Cup - Fantastic evening of football at Beverley Longcroft for the Year 7, 8 & 9 football teams taking part in the East Riding Cup. It was amazing to see our students enjoying football, working hard and competing for their teams.

The National Cup - Congratulations to the Year 8 boys football team for their 4-0 victory against Tranby School. Outstanding football with a hat trick from Zak A and Sam S scoring the other goal.

The National Cup - Congratulations to our Year 11 girls' football team who came from 2 goals down to win 3-2 in The National Cup. The girls showed great character to advice into the next round.

Year 7 Boys' Rugby - Amazing first performance in defeat from our Year 7 boys rugby team against Withernsea 18-14. The future is bright for the boys who passed the ball well in attack. Well done to our try scorers Harrison, Brad and Ronnie. Special mention to our head coaches Harvey C and Tye B. Well done to all!

Other news

We are supporting the Preston Fire Station Open Day on **Saturday 26th October from 10.30am to 3pm**. Please come along and support your local fire station.

ABM catering will be serving a Halloween menu on **Thursday 24th October** with a selection of Halloween meals and treats! Please see the menu attached for more details.

Some key dates for the current term are detailed below.

Key Dates for Autumn Term	
Academy closed to students	Friday 25 th October
Half Term	Monday 28 th October – Friday 1 st November
Academy reopens to all students	Monday 4 th November
Year 11 Steps to Success Evening	Thursday 12 th December
Church Service	Wednesday 18 th December
End of Term (Christmas Break)	Monday 23 rd December – Friday 3 rd January

I wish you all an enjoyable weekend.

Yours faithfully,



Mr N Holder
Headteacher