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Dear Parent

Spring Term – Principal’s Roundup - 7

Another great week here at Caister Academy, I wanted to highlight the following:

- I would like to congratulate Senior Year students for completing their first week of mock examinations. They have been extremely mature and have shown resilience throughout. Students have also taken part in an Ace Your Exams Workshop delivered by Elevate Education, all participants said that this was an extremely useful experience and has given them lots of top tips on examination preparation. I have just come out of a Senior Year Awards Assembly, where we celebrated the above.
- Step Up attendance has been exceptional this term and registered marks have reached 942. Students who have regularly attended have received an extra 6 hours of additional learning time in that subject, for some subjects this equates to an extra two weeks of learning.
- Thank you to all students in Years 7-10 that have been so respectful and supportive of Senior Year during this mock period.
- Members of the Student Leadership Team met with me over a pizza lunch, to talk about what they love about Caister Academy. It was fantastic to spend time with them and hear that they feel safe, all of the time, they love music lessons and having one lunch, however they are not so keen on our seagulls!
- Well done to our students who took part in the Intermediate Mathematics Challenge, the challenge consisted of a 60-minute assessment which focused on some of the most challenging problems available for their age range. Students excelled and produced some of the best overall results the school has seen.
- At the start of the year the mathematics team set the students an ambitious target of 750,000 correctly answered questions on Sparx Math’s. Today we are sat at an incredible 613,700 correct answers and we are on track to smash the original target.
- Well done to our best attending form groups so far:
 - First place – 7RHA (97.1%)
 - Second place – 11ALU (96.1%)
 - Third place – 7DMI (95.9%)
- And to the form groups with the highest rewards this week:
 - First place – 7DMI
 - Second place – 7NCU
 - Third place – 7RHA

Senior Year Half Term Interventions

We wish Senior Year students the best of luck with their intervention sessions over the February half term. If you have any questions with regards to these, please do not hesitate to contact Miss Sarah Sharpe, Director of Senior Year via email sarah.sharpe@caisteracademy.org.uk.





Reminders for next week and beyond:

- Monday 26 February – Students return to school for Spring 2
- Tuesday 27 February – Year 7 netball team play away to Lynn Grove Academy
- Wednesday 28 February – Year 8 Parents Evening, please view the invite letter via this link [Year 8 Parents Evening Invite Letter February 2024](#)
- Monday 4 March – Year 10 netball team play away to Venture Academy
- Monday 4 March to Friday 8 March – Careers Week
- Tuesday 5 March to Friday 8 March – Iceland Trip
- Friday 15 March – Red Nose Day
- Tuesday 19 March – Year 9 Options Evening
- Tuesday 26 March and Wednesday 27 March – Easter Show
- Thursday 28 March – End of Term

Sausage Roll Update

On Tuesday student representatives taste tested the proposed new sausage rolls. Students got to taste the current sausage rolls alongside the new home-made version, which will retail at 30p cheaper than the old ones. All students agreed that the new sausage rolls tasted better than the old ones. Thank you to student voice for doing this work, sausage rolls will now be available every breaktime and at a reduced price of £1.35.

Letters Home

Given how busy life can be, we wanted to let you know that we add all letters to our website, please see a useful link here [Caister Academy Letters](#). Please note that not all letters will be relevant to your child.

Thank you for your continued support this half term, I hope you have a safe and restful break, and we look forward to welcoming students back into school on Monday 26 February.

Yours faithfully

Helen Seath
Principal