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Dear Parent

Autumn Term – Principal's Roundup – 11

Another busy and successful week here at Caister Academy.

Please see highlights from the week below:

- Miss Mijatovic, Raising Achievement Mentor, congratulated Year 7 students for their work in science this week. Students were given the practical task of observing water and taught how to use Bunsen burners. It was fantastic to see students raising their hands to answer questions and recording the results from their experiments.
- The English team were incredibly impressed with the written work produced by Year 8 students this week. They praised their ideas and conscious construction with sentences for effect.
- Year 9 Mathematicians continue to be successful with their Sparx independent study. There are some fantastic mathematicians across the year group that Mr Barker, Director of Interventions, is incredibly impressed with.
- Year 10 Germanists were tasked with completing a phone call conversation using old fashioned telephones. Mrs Wood, Head of Modern Foreign Languages, was extremely impressed with their performances in front of their peers and praised them for their support of one another.
- Senior Year students have completed their first reteach week and Miss Sharpe, Assistant Principal, is incredibly proud of students' hard work.
- A special well done to our best attending form groups so far:
 - First place – 7LGO (97.1%)
 - Second place – 9RMS (95.7%)
 - Third place – 8JFE (94.8%)
- And to the form groups with the highest rewards this week:
 - First place – 8SBU
 - Second place – 9RHA
 - Third place – 7ATM

Principal's Learner of the Week

Congratulations to Kyra Mahirovska, Year 10. Kyra works incredibly hard in lessons and has made an excellent start to her option subjects.

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Attendance

Whole school attendance has been lower than expected this week, which is particularly concerning for Senior Year as they are in an important reteach fortnight, where every lesson counts. It is essential that attendance improves next week so students do not fall behind at this crucial stage. Well done to Years 9 and 10 who have seen a rise in attendance this week. We will be entering the second week of our *Attendance Focus Fortnight* next week, with special rewards and prizes to be given out on Friday 28th November, so we encourage all students to be in school every day to make the most of these opportunities.

Senior Year Parents' Evening

We look forward to welcoming Senior Year parents to our parents' consultation evening on Thursday 27 November. This is a fantastic opportunity for you to meet with class teachers and discuss all aspects of learning linked to your child's achievement. Bookings can be made via Arbor. For further information on booking appointments, please use the attached guidance.

Christmas Update Letter

We have recently emailed a Christmas Update Letter to all parents, which includes further information in the run up to Christmas. To view the letter please use the following link [Christmas Update Letter 2025](#).

On Thursday 18 December, we are delighted to be hosting a traditional festive Christmas lunch for all year groups. Options include roast chicken with chipolata and stuffing or vegetable wellington, complete with all the trimmings. Lunch will be followed with a festive gingerbread man or rice crispy cake. Christmas lunch is £2.61 for all non-free school meal students and will be payable separately via ArborPay. If your child would like a Christmas lunch, please complete the attached form [Christmas Lunch Order Form](#), including those that are in receipt of free school meals.

Students not participating in the Christmas lunch, must ensure that they either have a packed lunch with them or have preordered a baguette. There will be no other lunch options available.

To book your child's Christmas lunch or to order a baguette please complete the form by 12.00pm on Friday 28 November. Please complete one form for each child.

Compete Week Key Stage 3 - 01.12.25

During week commencing Monday 1 December, Key Stage 3 students have an incredible opportunity to take part in subject based competitions across every faculty in the academy.

Prizes for winners will be as follows:

1st Place - 100 Caister Coins

2nd Place - 75 Caister Coins

3rd Place - 50 Caister Coins.

We would like to see as many students as possible participate, and we wish all students taking part the very best of luck!



Caister Coins

Deadline for students to add their Caister coins to their coin counters is Friday 12 December. If you notice any blue or green Caister coins at home, please can you encourage your child to bring them in and be part of their year group contribution #everycoincounts.

Reminders for next week and beyond:

- Thursday 27 November – Senior Year Parents' Evening
- Thursday 4 December - EMC Mathematics Challenge Trip
- Friday 5 December – Rudolph Run at 3.15pm (Sports Hall)
- Wednesday 10 December:
 - Final Flu Vaccinations (All Year Groups)
 - Year 8 Warner Brother Studios Trip
- Friday 12 December – Celebration Assemblies
- Wednesday 17 December – Caister Coins Winners Event
- Monday 15 December to Wednesday 17 December - Christmas Performances
- Thursday 18 December:
 - Christmas Lunch and Jumper Day
 - School closes for Christmas
- Tuesday 6 January – Students return to school – Spring Term 1

Thank you for your continued support, I look forward to writing to you again next week.

Yours faithfully

Helen Seath
Principal

Attached: Booking Parent's Consultation Meetings in Arbor