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Dear Parent

Autumn Term – Principal's Roundup – 10

Another busy and successful week here at Caister Academy.

Please see highlights from the week below:

- All year groups received a visit from Caister Youth Club during assemblies this week. The new youth club, called 'The Hang Out' is open on Thursdays from 6.00pm-7.30pm every week, and is open to all Caister Academy students. Admission is free of charge, and facilities include a pool table, darts board, cinema screen and table tennis. 'The Hang Out' can be found in the old cadet hut on the Allendale Park.
- Miss Newbury, Assistant Head of Year, has praised Year 7 students for their countless acts of kindness, from helping classmates to welcoming new friends. Well done Year 7, it's this positive energy that makes our school community so special.
- It was fantastic to see so many parents, siblings and family members attend our Year 8 Parents Evening last night. It was one of our best attended Year 8 Parents Evenings to date and our staff thoroughly enjoyed a chance to speak with families about the progress of their children.
- Year 9 students have taken part in extra-curricular sessions focused on knife crime awareness and community safety. These sessions were delivered by PC Johnson and Mr Ribbons from East Norfolk Sixth Form College. Students embraced the opportunity to learn and discuss these important issues, and sessions sparked thoughtful conversations and demonstrated their commitment to making positive choices.
- A special well done to our best attending form groups so far:
 - First place – 7LGO (97.5%)
 - Second place – 9RMS (95.7%)
 - Third place – 11SMA (95.3%)
- And to the form groups with the highest rewards this week:
 - First place – 8MME
 - Second place – 8VRO
 - Third place – 8JFE

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Principal's Learner of the Week

Congratulations to Hebe Bush, Senior Year, who has shown resilience and effort across all her subjects.

Attendance

Attendance this week has been concerningly lower than we would like. Regular attendance is vital for your child's progress, engagement with peers, and overall wellbeing. Missing even a few days can make it harder to keep up with classwork, settle into routines, and stay motivated.

We do of course understand that children do become unwell occasionally. If your child is feeling under the weather, they can still attend school if their symptoms are minor - for example, a cough or cold. According to the NHS guidance 'it's fine to send your child to school with a slight cough or common cold.'

If you prefer, students may leave medication (with instructions) at the Middle Office so that they can take it during the day under supervision. Please let the office and your child's tutor know if this is required.

From Monday, we will be entering an Attendance Focus Fortnight to boost attendance across all year groups. Those students who attend every day for the next two weeks will receive a sweet treat on Friday 28 November. Other rewards and prizes will also be on offer across the two weeks!

Thank you for your support in helping us to ensure that every child is in school, ready to learn, every day.

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.

Senior Year Reteach Weeks

Senior Year reteach weeks commence on Monday 17 November. Senior Year students will receive their core mock examinations feedback across these weeks and have a chance to address any misconceptions. Attendance during this time is incredibly important to ensure that our students can achieve the best possible grades as they move towards their summer examinations.

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

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