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Dear Parents and Carers,

8th March 2024

This week has seen us host a number of events at school that have been a showcase of the fantastic opportunities available for our students. The RSA8 social action project was launched in which our Year 8 student ambassadors met with Ipsley, Holyhead, Gospel Oak and Churchill's ambassadors to plan youth driven projects to enact social change relevant to their schools. These groups will meet again in April to go around the different Trust schools and collaboratively plan their projects. This culminates in a university experience day in the summer term at Newman University where they will pitch their projects in a Dragons Den style to university lecturers.

Our Year 9 girls football team hosted Parkside and won both of their matches which was refereed by student leaders in Year 10. This has inspired some of the students to get more fixtures in the calendar as they look to conquer the rest of the Trust schools.

We welcomed Morgan Stanley back to work with Year 7 students. This year, the students are taking part in a sustainable enterprise challenge and had skills and ambitions activities led by some of the leading financial experts in the world. Our students were of course an absolute credit to themselves and are looking forward to their ideas coming to life.

We wish all of the Duke of Edinburgh students well this weekend as they go out and begin their expedition training over the local area. There are nerves and excitement in equal measure as the students will push themselves out of their comfort zones and build so many skills as a result.

Our Year 11 students have taken their speaking exams in English and done a great job at understanding the real pressure that comes with this. As if he wasn't busy enough last week seamlessly directing the music for the High School Musical, inspiring students on and off the stage, Mr White has been ensuring that the Year 11 music students are preparing for their GCSE performances next week. Alongside this, they are preparing for their Spanish speaking exams and Food practical examinations all of which start next week. Thank you for your support in getting them ready for this.

We have had some wonderful news in Sixth Form around university offers. We now have over 25% of our cohort with offers from Oxbridge, Veterinary or Medicine and over 80% have applied for university with 95% of them getting an offer from their 1st choice destination. A third of these are from a Russell Group university. It's little wonder that they won the trust University challenge last week. A huge congratulations to the staff who have worked so hard to ensure that the students get onto exceptional courses. The success at A-level evening yesterday was well attended and showed students and parents/carers the steps to succeed in the upcoming A-level exam season.

Finally, please be on the lookout for correspondence next week around the dropping off and picking up of students. There are some changes to this as the new build progresses.

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Yours sincerely

Mr Preston

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Mr Preston', written in a cursive style.

Head of School