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Dear Parents/Carers,

I hope this finds you well as we edge ever closer towards the end of term.

As a Headteacher, I spend a lot of my time in meetings with staff and members of the local community, discussing ways in which to drive the school forward. Whilst this is an exciting part of the job, it can take me away from the day-to-day interactions with students which I so enjoy.

That said, I am delighted to share I have had some wonderful opportunities this week to spend time out and about across the school, enjoying in the activities and successes of our students.

On Tuesday, our PE Team held the Year 8 interform competition; it was wonderful to watch our students enjoy time out of the classroom to take part in football, netball and handball events. I was particularly impressed with how many of the year group participated in some way. As previously mentioned, I am very keen on considering ways to develop our enrichment programme across the school so that all students have the opportunity to engage in activities and clubs that can help shape them as young people.

Wednesday evening brought the St Crispin's Spring Gala; what a privilege to watch the talent and creative flair of all our performers. There were a number of students involved who quietly go about their day when in school but who came to life with such confidence during the performance; it was such a delight to see.

Finally, throughout the week, I have been putting aside a couple of hours each day to spend in subject areas to understand where we are with our teaching and learning, watching lessons and speaking to students about their experiences. It has been great to see how engaged our students are and even more importantly, the wonderful relationships that exist between them and their teachers.

I've learned so much from these different experiences this week and I hope to be able to use the knowledge gained to help me shape the future plans for our school.

Have a great weekend.

Mr Peter Griffiths
Headteacher

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