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Dear Parent & Carer

I am afraid that I have some very sad news to share with you concerning the tragic death of a former Budmouth student. Toby Hudson passed away in the early hours of Friday morning following a very sudden, and as yet unknown, illness.

Toby was a student at Budmouth College for seven years and only left our Sixth Form last summer. Toby had recently returned from his first year at Southampton University where he was reading Chemistry. He was a very popular student who was full of fun and adventure. A highlight of Toby's time at Budmouth was his trip to the Himalayas with the Dorset Expeditionary Society. Toby was always keen to test himself physically as well as mentally and skiing, climbing, cycling, trips to Wales and Dartmoor helped provide the outlet for his boundless energy. Toby lived life to the fullest and his sudden passing is a devastating blow to his family and friends.

All our thoughts and deepest condolences are with Toby's family: Mum Tess, Dad Pete (Vice Principal at Budmouth College) and older brother Sam. I know that they have been touched by the lovely tributes and messages of support for someone who was widely regarded as being a very special young person. I hope that this support will provide some comfort for them at this extremely difficult time.

Yours sincerely

David Herbert