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Dear Parents and Carers

Sixth Form Update

A belated Happy New Year to you all. Some of you may have heard that I was called in for an operation at the start of term. One week on, I am pleased to say that I seem to be recovering well and will soon be back in school. In the meantime, my team of Assistant Directors of Sixth Form: Kelly Andow, Jane Golby, Andrea Miller and Kate Sheppard continue to run things in the Sixth Form as normal with Mr Hoffmann and Mr Cavill available for any concerns if and when needed. I am also able to work from home, so if and when you or the students need us please be reassured that one of us will be there.

As a reminder, here are the contact details for each Assistant Director and the tutor groups they oversee, as well as the telephone and email address for Mrs Cockings, our Sixth Form Administrator.

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I hope this helps. Inevitably perhaps at this time, some staff may need to self-isolate because of Covid-19. Mrs Cockings for example is presently working from home for a few more days. Therefore, if you can't get through on the phone to her, please do email if you can. Also, if you are happy to copy any of the staff named above into your emails then please do, so that should a member of staff be away your communication will be seen and passed on.

Meanwhile, it was great to see some of you at Senior Prize Giving just before Christmas; I am so glad we were able to go ahead this year. We also elect a new Student Union Executive on Wednesday 16th February. Five posts are up for grabs including Sixth Form President and Vice President. As well as organising events and representing the Sixth Form, the executive play a senior role in the wider academy. Please encourage your son/daughter to stand for election; there is plenty of evidence that a Student Union position leads to bigger things. Briony Mae Green, this year's Vice President, has just been offered a place at Oxford University for example. On that note, congratulations to everyone who has been offered a university place already this year. Special mention also goes to Elsie Borez who also has been offered a place at Oxford University. It is not too late to make a UCAS application. The deadline has been extended until Wednesday 26th January.

Finally, I hope it goes without saying that I expect everyone to continue to work hard and maintain the highest standards in my absence. Some students are sitting external exams this week and the second set of Year 13 mocks start straight after half term; therefore it is vital that we all make every minute count!

I look forward to seeing you all soon

Yours sincerely

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

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