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Dear Parents/Carers,

I hope this email finds you and your families well. As we reach the midpoint of this half term, it has been a week filled with celebration, recognition of achievements, and thoughtful preparation for the future.

Year 11 Prom – A Night to Remember

Last night's Year 11 prom was a truly special occasion and a wonderful way to celebrate the end of an important chapter for our students. The event was beautifully organised, and I would like to extend my heartfelt thanks to Mrs Rollin and Miss Gough for their incredible efforts in making the evening such a success.

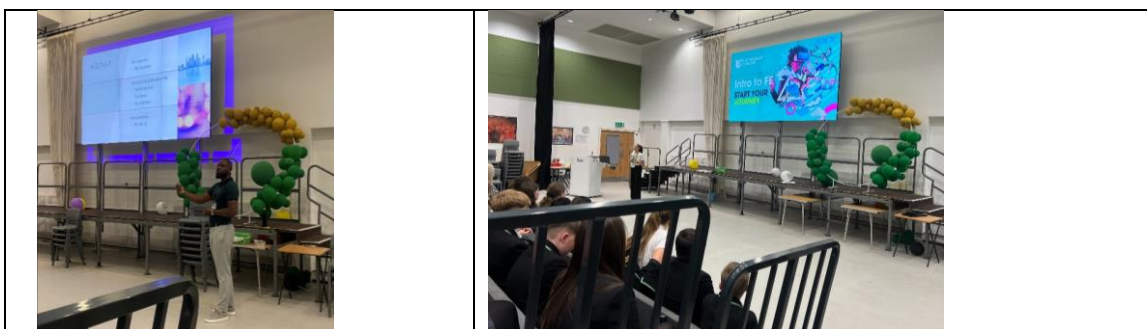
Our students were a credit to the school; their behaviour was exemplary, and they looked absolutely fantastic. It was a joy to see them enjoying themselves and marking the occasion with such style and maturity. You can see the lovely photos on our Instagram.

World of Week – Connecting Learning to Life

In assemblies this week, we've focused on exploring different career pathways, reinforcing one of the core purposes of education: to prepare young people for their futures. These sessions have been an important part of WOW Week, helping students understand the wide range of opportunities available to them beyond school.

We were pleased to welcome guest speakers from Lincoln College and Nottingham College, who shared valuable insights into post-16 education and vocational routes. In addition, Mrs Curtis delivered a dedicated session for Year 10 students, highlighting the excellent opportunities available through our own Sixth Form.

WOW Week is a powerful reminder that education is not just about academic achievement—it's about opening doors, raising aspirations, and helping every student find their place in the world.



Supporting Students' Wellbeing During Assessments – The NottAlone Podcast

As students across all year groups continue with their assessments, it's important to recognise the pressures they may be feeling and to ensure they have access to the right support. Schools play a vital role not only in academic development but also in nurturing students' mental health and wellbeing.

With this in mind, Nottinghamshire County Council has shared a valuable new resource: the NottAlone Podcast, hosted by NottAlone founders Dr Orlaith Greene and Dr Maddi Popoola. Each episode explores a different topic relevant to young people, including exam stress, neurodiversity, and the power of finding your passion.

The full list of episodes is available here,

<http://nottalone.org.uk/thenottalonepodcast>

and the podcast can also be found on Spotify, Apple Podcasts, and other major platforms.

We encourage students, parents, and staff to explore this excellent resource as part of our shared commitment to supporting wellbeing during this busy time.

Key Dates

Thursday 3 rd July	Transition Celebration Evening
Thursday 10 th July	Summer Spectacular Performance
Tuesday 15 th July	Geography Field Trip
Tuesday 15 th July	GREAT Days for KS3 students
Wednesday 16 th July	Geography Field Trip
Wednesday 16 th July	GREAT Days for KS3 students
Thursday 17 th July	Celebration Event
Tuesday 22 nd July	Year 10 and Year 12 Trip to London
Thursday 24 th July	Year 10 and Year 12 Trip to London
Friday 25 th July	End of Summer Term

Thank you, as always, for your continued support. We look forward to the final weeks of term and all the opportunities they bring.

Kind regards,



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