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Dear Parents and Guardians,

As we approach the festive season, I would like to take a moment to reflect on the remarkable progress and successes we have experienced at Prescot High School since September.

There have been significant improvements in student behaviour and the overall culture of the school. This positive shift has been accompanied by an increase in student attendance and student achievement points which is a clear reflection of the growing engagement and enthusiasm within our school community.

Our students have participated in an array of wonderful activities, including raising money for charity, attending careers events in Liverpool, and enjoying the excitement of the Panto. We've celebrated sporting achievements, with school teams representing us in various fixtures, and it's been fantastic to see the school gym buzzing with activity every evening. The range of extracurricular opportunities has expanded significantly, with Saturday morning GCSE tutoring being a standout addition.

While I can't list every activity, I want to acknowledge the incredible effort and commitment of our students and staff in making all these events possible. Since joining the school in September, I've been inspired by their hard work and dedication, which have led to improvements in classroom learning and a vibrant, positive atmosphere throughout the school.

I would also like to share some important updates with you:

Updates on Behaviour, Uniform, and Key Dates

1. Behaviour and Uniform Policy Updates:

Starting in January, all students will be required to bring a bag and pencil case to school. While the bag does not need to be the official Prescot High School bag, it must be large enough to hold a pencil case and an A4 folder; a rucksack would be ideal.

2. Coats in the Building:

To uphold our high uniform standards, all coats and hoodies must be removed upon entering the school building. Coats should then be stored in students' bags during the school day.

OUR VISION

WE WILL ENSURE ALL STUDENTS ACHIEVE THEIR
ACADEMIC POTENTIAL, DEVELOP HOLISTICALLY AND
GO ON TO LEAD HAPPY AND SUCCESSFUL LIVES.

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3. Training Day – January 17, 2025:

The school will be closed to students in Years 7 to 10 on this date to allow staff to participate in a trust-wide training day. Year 11 students, however, are expected to attend for a tailored GCSE intervention day.

4. Punctuality Expectations:

Please ensure your child starts the school day on time. School begins promptly at 8:25 am Monday to Thursday and 9.15 am Friday, with a lineup routine that includes key messages and preparation for the day ahead. Any student arriving late will have a detention on the same day, and a notification will be sent home via text.

Feedback and Improvements

Thank you for sharing your valuable feedback over the past few months. We are pleased to inform you about several enhancements we have implemented based on your suggestions:

- **Streamlined Traffic Flow:** A voluntary one-way system has been introduced on Knowsley Park Lane to alleviate congestion and prioritise the safety of our pupils.
- **Enhanced Communication:** Starting December 2024, a new phone system will make it easier for you to connect with the school.
- **Direct Support for Parents:** We have introduced dedicated email addresses to enable quicker communication with our pastoral teams. A follow-up letter with more details will be shared soon.
- **Community Presence:** Staff members are now present in the community before and after school to support safe and smooth student transitions.
- **Improved Meal Service:** Adjustments to break and lunch schedules have significantly reduced waiting times for students to receive their meals.
- **Increased Corridor Supervision:** Additional staff members are positioned in key areas of the school to supervise student movement, fostering a safe environment and reducing instances of poor behaviour and bullying.
- **Opening the Spinney Exit:** To enhance safety, we have opened the Spinney Exit, reducing the number of students exiting via Knowsley Park Lane.
- **Expanded Extra-Curricular Opportunities:** We now offer a wider range of lunch and after-school activities, providing more opportunities for students to engage outside of their lessons.

Thank you for your continued feedback, which helps us create a better environment for everyone in our school community.

Finally, I want to thank you for your ongoing support. Your partnership is vital to the continued success of our school.

For news and updates you can follow our social media pages on X and Instagram.
Please note that school will close for the end of the term on:

Friday, December 20th, 2024, at 12:20pm.

The school will reopen for students on:

Tuesday, January 7th, 2025, at 8:20am.

I wish you and your family a very happy Christmas and a prosperous New Year.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'M. Reynolds', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Mr. M. Reynolds
Principal

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