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Dear parent / carer

We are careering through this half term and we have arrived at February already! This past half term I have been delivering a 2-minute message to all pupils on a Monday morning that has been highlighting certain areas that we need to focus on. Some of these have been about uniform, behaviour and routines, both new and old. This coming week I will start to go through our mission statement 'Together towards our Lord through learning, love and faith'. Learning and faith are the clearest of these two and ones that I will explore more later on in the year. The one that is the most challenging is love. There are so many different ways to broach this. This coming week I will focus on speech and how we speak and listen to each other, which expresses love. Please do discuss this with your children over the coming week.

Next week we have the Year 12 Mid-Year Exams, it is also Child Mental Health Week. Please do engage with discussions around this with your children. We have had full-time in-house counselling provision for the past year that gives us incredible coverage of the pupils who need the support. We are looking to expand this as we move towards the summer term.

There are a lot of sports fixtures this coming week and we wish all the pupils competing for the school good luck! We also have different workshops for Year 8 towards the end of the week.

I am also requesting that no-one uses the top gate to access the school from 8.15am until 9am and 14.45 and 15.15. We have 10 buses that come onto the school site and we want to make sure that all pedestrians on the site are safe when the buses are here. Since there is no pavement or path to enter during the top gate we are requesting therefore that only the main gate is used during these hours. We have a member of staff on duty there and will direct all pedestrians during these times down Warden Hill Road to use the main gate. I also remind you about trying to avoid Warden Hill Road to drop off and pick up your children. With the large buses needing access, as well emergency services at times, the sheer amount traffic is making this difficult. Please arrange for another pick up or drop off point. Thank you for your support in this.

The school calendar on the website is now fully up to date and will be automatically updated when events change or new events are added. You can access the calendar through this link or by finding it under 'Information' on the website.

Friday 11th February is the last day of half term, we will finish at the normal time.

Have a blessed weekend.

Andrew Bull Headteacher