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Dear parent/carer

As we approach the end of the spring term, I would like to say a huge thank you to you all for your support throughout the last term. We are entering into the final few months of the year, where all our staff are working hard to prepare our year 11 and 13 students for their final GCSE and A-Level examinations. I am sure you will join me in wishing all of our students the very best of luck in their final preparations and in their exams.

I would like to take this opportunity, prior to the Easter Holiday, to inform you of a change to the start of the new term, and the reason for this change. Since the school was inspected in June last year, our staff and senior leaders have worked hard to drive further improvements at Alsop High School. We remain determined to drive these improvements and, through the course of the last term, we have identified some significant areas where we need to do more to provide the best possible school experience for each and every student.

In summary, the changes we are looking to implement include the launch of a new approach to behaviour management in school, with an enhanced reward system that dynamically rewards positive behaviour and engagement, as well as a renewed approach to restorative practice to underpin even more positive relationships between students and our staff, along with a reviewed behaviour toolkit that makes the system simpler, fairer and more consistent.

The changes we are looking to implement are difficult to roll-out during the course of a normal school week, so we have taken the decision to schedule an additional staff training day on Monday 15th April.

Alsop High School will therefore, be closed to students on Monday 15th April and will re-open to all students on Tuesday 16th April.

We will write to you in due course with a full overview of the changes we are making, so that we can work better together to support all children and to further improve their experience in school.

In closing, I would like to wish you and your family, an enjoyable and restful Easter break.

Yours faithfully

Ms N Bruns

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