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Dear Parent,

Happy New Year. We hope you and your family had a restful and enjoyable break and I would like to warmly welcome everyone back to school as we begin the Spring term on Tuesday 6 January at 8.45am.

The start of a new term is always an opportunity to refocus. On Tuesday, our Welcome to 2026 assemblies will take place and will include the presentation of subject awards from the autumn. We will begin the term celebrating the fantastic students of Burscough Priory as well as the routine information to students about our shared expectations, our 'reset'. This will focus on our school values of Kindness, Respect and Ambition.

### **Uniform and Appearance**

Father Christmas may well have brought some presents recently. Can we urge that these presents, phones, jewellery and make up do not come to school after the break and also a reminder of the equipment list:

- Timetable
- Pencil
- Ruler
- Calculator
- Whiteboard and pen
- Ear phones
- Subject specialist equipment

As we return after the Christmas break, we would like to remind everyone of our expectations related to uniform, the policy link can be found on [this page](#). A key feature of our policy is what we wear (uniform) and how we wear it (appearance) and in the new year we will have a stringent focus on some aspects of the policy. In summary, some key points of note are:

- Skirts unrolled
- Top buttons fastened
- Ties worn at the correct length

In school, we have a range of clean, preloved uniform which we will be happy to give to parents if their child has grown out of their own. We have a range of items, uniform and PE kit in a several sizes but we



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cannot guarantee we will have everything a family may need. You are most welcome to come to or contact school if you need some uniform. Equally, if you do have any donations, these will be gratefully accepted.

### **Staffing Update**

We will also say goodbye to some colleagues and welcome new ones. Mrs Walsh, Head of Computing finishes to move onto new pastures - we have thanked her for all of her hard work and wish her well for the new adventure. We are pleased to welcome Mr Nightingale, who will be taking on the role and I am sure you will join us in making him feel very welcome to our school community

### **Civica Eats**

As outlined at the end of the Autumn Term, we will begin to use the Civica Eats app for pre-ordering lunch from Monday 12 January. You can find the information about how to get started on the email sent in mid-December, equally, we will send it again on Friday in preparation for next Monday.

### **Lancashire Vaping Prevention Charter**

Along with this letter you will find a copy of the Charter that has been adopted by all schools across Lancashire. As educational institutions, we are dedicated to the welfare of our students, we believe it is essential to take a strong and unified stance against the harm they pose.

### **And finally**

We have had a very special delivery this morning, all the way from Glasgow. To start the new term a beautiful, brand new BPA minibus! A huge thank you for the support of the Endeavour Learning Trust and Endeavour Community to secure it – it will have a massive impact on our school.

Thank you, as always, for your ongoing support. We look forward to a positive and productive Spring term ahead. E Pluribus Unum.

Yours faithfully,

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