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Last week of term – Monday 12th to Friday 16th July 2021

Dear Parents,

As our year draws to a close, we would like to give you some briefs about some of the great learning and enrichment activities planned for our school community next week, which start with PSHE day on Monday. As many of you are already aware, we deliver our Personal, Social, Health and Careers Education (which includes sex and relationships education) on collapsed curriculum days throughout the year, when the normal timetable is suspended. We follow closely the national curriculum on these days, which includes a number of statutory (compulsory for us as a school) elements.

As these days have so much vital information condensed into them, students who are absent will miss important information that could impact on future life choices which is vital to their wider education and well-being. As such, any child who is absent on a PSHCE day will still be expected to complete all work missed. All of the work will be provided on ClassCharts with a clear deadline for completion. During Monday, our year groups will be focusing on the following:

Year 7 will develop their awareness of Animal Rights, Child Labour & Exploitation, Homelessness, Ageing / Age Discrimination and Poverty.

Year 8 will learn about a range of topics such as developing an understanding of drugs such as Cannabis, Ecstasy and Cocaine and the risks associated with them, develop an understanding of Waste & recycling and also have two sessions focused on Contraception and Divorce & Separation.

Year 9 students will undertake a varying range of topics in their lessons in relation to Gambling, Bias in the Media and Terrorism/Extremism. Students will also be exploring their post 16 options with an introduction into A Levels and T Levels and exploring Army Careers.

Year 10 students will explore the world of work, which includes virtual Employer Encounter sessions. They will learn about Army Careers and develop an understanding of how to develop their employability skills with a session from Careers North. Students will also participate in a live virtual 'Wasted Lives' session lead by the Fire Brigade.

On Tuesday, a number of our year 10 students will be visiting Ormskirk Sixth Form as a taster for 'A' Levels. We hope that this will help them to decide if this is the right post 16 path for them, as they experience 'A' level lessons and get a feel for life at sixth form.

Wednesday is sports day at Tarleton, when all of our students are encouraged to take part in a variety of Athletic events and gain points for their house. While year groups will take part in events throughout the day, we look forward to coming together, all be it still in our year group bubbles, to cheer on the final races at the end of the day.

We are very aware that due to COVID and all the restrictions it has brought, we have been unable to provide the enriching events, activities and trips our students would normally experience; however, on Thursday we are holding our first ever challenge day. During the day students within the year group will work in house teams to complete a variety of subject- based challenges, earning vital points towards the house competition, which will be announced and presented in our final celebration assemblies on Friday when we finish school at 12.30pm.

We sincerely hope all of our students enjoy the numerous enrichment activities we have planned for next week. Should you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact us. It just remains for us to say, 'Come on England!'

Yours faithfully,

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