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Dear Parents/Carer,

I am writing as promised to provide an update from school as we start the summer term.

The summer term is always a busy one for schools as Year 11 and Year 13 students sit their formal examinations. As staff we are determined to ensure that our young people in these year groups are as supported and prepared as much as possible. I continue to visit a lot of lessons on a daily basis to look at our students in learning and review the progress they are making. I have been really impressed by what I have seen recently. Students are working really hard, are focused and determined to achieve the best results. This is really positive and hopefully a good sign before their examinations.

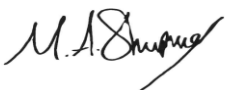
This week we have held two parent events. On Wednesday we held our 'Preparing for Success' evening. It was lovely to meet parents and students. I hope those who attended found the information given was useful. We focused mainly on the run up to the examinations, how students were being supported in school and the things parents could do to support their child. We will continue to help and support in any way we can. If you attended the meeting and want further information please do not hesitate to contact us.

On Wednesday we also held our Year 7 parents' evening. It was lovely to meet parents and discuss the progress their children are making in school. Year 7 is such an important year due to the transition from primary school to secondary school. I have been encouraged overall since I started at the school in January at how our students in Year 7 have taken to their lessons in secondary school. In the main they are working hard, interested and enthusiastic to improve their knowledge and understanding in all subjects. The atmosphere at parents' evening was great. I would like to take this opportunity to thank Year 7 for your support. The attendance to this event was fantastic.

Next week sees the start of our 'Catch them being good' rewards strategy. It is really important as a school that we regularly acknowledge the attitude and effort when our young people do the right thing in school. This recognition will be for the many students who meet or exceed our expectations. Next week I will write to provide you with more details but the strategy will focus on looking for positive things in school and rewarding on a daily, weekly, half termly and termly basis. I am certain we will see the vast majority of students regularly receiving rewards and I look forward to us as a school celebrating their achievements with you and your child.

As the bank holiday weekend approaches I would like to offer my best wishes to you and your families and thank you as ever for your support.

Yours Faithfully
The Long Eaton School



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