

30 September 2022

Dear Parents and Carers

### Open Evening

Yesterday evening we had a fantastic Open Evening with large numbers of our current students helping out. It was fabulous to see the school so busy with visitors and there was a really positive buzz around the school. Our current students acting as tour guides or helping out in subject areas were an absolute credit. Thank you to all who were involved.

### Attendance

It is well researched that high attendance at school is a contributing factor to success and we always encourage the highest attendance possible. Out of 190 school days in an academic year days off quickly impact on a large number of lessons:

<u>Attendance</u>	<u>Days Missed</u>	<u>Lessons Missed</u>
95%	9.5 days	47 lessons
90%	19 days	95 lessons
85%	28.5 days	142 lessons

As a school we do not authorise holidays taken in term time and we do use the penalty notices available.

Where there are genuine issues around attendance please contact your child's mentor or head of year so that we can put support in place.

In cases of illness or any other genuine reason for absence such as the funeral of a close relative, please do inform the school absence line number 01772 689011 before 8.30 a.m. Any requests for planned absence (other than illness) must be submitted by completing the blue absence request form available from the website, at least 3 weeks before the intended date of absence.

### Rugby and Multi Sport Camp

Please see attached a flyer giving details of a Rugby and Multi Sport Camp for 12-16 year olds, organised by Fylde Rugby Community Foundation over October half term.

### Advance Notice

School photographs will be on Monday 10 October 2022. There will be individual photographs for Years 7, 9 and 11; a whole year photo for Year 11 and mentor group photos for Year 7.

Yours faithfully



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