



Ellesmere

A 7 – 18 Coeducational School

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Dear Parent,

Assessment week appeared to go smoothly. We have spoken at length to ensure that pupils know that it 'is all about trying one's very best and preparing well'. We also like to keep things in perspective too. If certain areas do not go as well as wished, it is what a person 'does about it' that really counts. Tutors will be continuing to guide children toward the various academic clinics and homework group opportunities available through the week. Period grades will be published soon for this term.

The weather has been poor over the past couple of weeks. We remind pupils to bring a warm coat, hat and gloves in to School for playtime and moving between lessons. It is also wise to have a spare pair of old trainers in a locker to try to keep the wet and mud to a minimum as we work through the busy week. On a similar note, it is important that all pupils have warm kit for PE and Games lessons. The school tracksuit is essential and skin base layers may be worn too! All of these items help pupils to get the most out of their learning. The swimmers and team players particularly need to be warm as they travel to their training /events etc.

The pupils have enjoyed raising money for charity today on 'own clothes day'. It is good to see a sensible approach to clothing is taken, as the working day remains the same and we have many stairs to negotiate and distances to travel between buildings.

It has been lovely to welcome the visitors from China this week. Pupils have really enjoyed the cultural exchanges and the visitors performed a few pieces in Assembly on Monday too. A few of them have enjoyed their stay so much that they have extended the experience for one more week.

We have a busy week ahead. On Monday 12th February, Mrs Paul is organising another Music Tea in the Lower School Hall. Refreshments are provided and parents and families are warmly welcome to come and listen to musical performances from Lower School pupils. The event starts at 4.30pm and will finish by 5.10pm.

Pupils will attend the Ash Wednesday Chapel Service next week at 4.10pm. The service will finish in time for School transport.

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The Lower School House Cross Country event is Thursday 15th February starting at 2.30pm. Please join us if you can. Pupils may travel home with parents afterwards if it suits family arrangements. Please could parents sign out their child at the results table before leaving the premises.

Year 8 Information Evening is on Friday 16th February in the Arts Centre, starting at 5.15pm. Following on from this, the Parents Meeting is in Lower School. Please return the reply slip to book supper for your child. Pupils may accompany parents to the Parents Meeting to discuss progress and explore option subject choices for Year 9. College transport departs as normal at 5.30pm on that day.

Please contact Mrs Leonard, the Lower School Secretary, with any concerns regarding arrangements and have a good half term when it arrives.

Yours sincerely,

Sharon Owen

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Lower School Open Morning

Name of pupil(s)

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will/will not* be available to help with Lower School Open Morning on Saturday 17th March 2018.

Signed

Year 8 Parents' Evening Supper

Pupil's name.....

will stay for supper on Friday 16th February.

Signed

*(please delete as appropriate). Please return reply slip to Lower School Office.

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