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Dear Parent,

It is Exeat leave this weekend and the majority of our boarding pupils return home for a short break, there will be no fixtures this weekend. You will also note in the College Calendar that The Lower School Entrance Examination is on Saturday 4th February for prospective pupils.

Could I pass my thanks to parents for supporting the College with respect to pupils wearing sensible, suitable clothing for the cold weather we have been experiencing recently. We have attempted to maintain a common sense approach to outside play at school and have encouraged pupils to have fresh air during break times. This is made possible if pupils come in a decent coat, gloves and warm hats, it has also been good to note that these items are predominately in the College colours of black or white.

Dr Chatterjee, Deputy Head Pastoral watches pupils closely and the way they wear their uniform. He has asked section heads to mention that no pupil will be allowed to travel on College transport if they are incorrectly dressed. Either full School uniform, correctly worn or a full College tracksuit (if pupils are going on to sport practices) will be allowed. He will ask pupils to change if they arrive at the coach park inappropriately attired and the coaches will have to leave on time. He also asked me to explain that tracksuit tops and hoodies are not part of the School uniform and cannot be worn around school generally, these rules have been clearly explained to pupils this week.

Please note that on Friday 17th February at 5.30pm, there is the Year 8-9 presentation in the Arts Centre. Parents and pupils in Year 8 are welcome to attend the event, which aims to answer any questions regarding the move from Lower School to Middle School. This is followed by the Year 8 Parents' Evening that is to be held in Big School hall. Please return the reply slip below if you would like your child to have supper at College, pupils may join parents in the Parents' Evening after supper or alternatively work quietly on prep in the classroom adjoining the Big School hall. Mrs Pritt Roberts circulated the Year 8-9 Option Forms before Christmas, the Parents' Evening will be a good opportunity to seek final thoughts, could you please return the forms to the Lower School Secretary by 24th February 2017.

Year 8 pupils have been set a Physics Challenge; the competition prompts pupils to explore a physics concept of their choice, they are then challenged to explain the main concepts regarding the topic they have chosen in as imaginative way as possible. There were outstanding presentations and displays last year and we are really looking forward to what the Year 8 pupils can come up with this year. There will be a display of the winning entries at the Year 8 parents Evening.

A number of the pupils have achieved further success in sport recently, James Caldwell goes from strength to strength in rifle shooting, and James secured a commendable 6th place in the National Championship event this week. Well done also to Georgia Munro Year 7 on her U13 County hockey and County cricket selection.

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Sister Moore has asked me to remind parents of Year 8 girls to return the HPV vaccination consent form as soon as possible. The forms were sent out to families electronically earlier this term, paper copies are available to complete if needed, and the vaccinations will take place in School 10th February 2017.

Have a good weekend,

Yours sincerely,

Sharon Owen

Please return to the Lower School office

I shall be attending: Year 8 Parents' Evening on Friday 17th February

And would like _____ to stay for tea and prep
(Name of pupil)

Signed _____