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Dear Parents and Carers,

Re. Attendance

We are now more than half way through the first and longest school term. The students are now settling back into the school routine.

In KS4 (years 10 and 11) particularly, where accredited courses are studied (GCSE, BTEC, Functional Skills,) every day in school counts in order to amass the necessary hours of study to complete these courses successfully.

In keeping with and our school attendance policy, we always monitor attendance carefully. It has come to our attention that days are being lost for avoidable reasons by some boys. This obviously impacts negatively on the potential final achievement of the students.

You will be interested to know that studies have shown that outcomes vary according to punctuality and attendance at school. We will be talking to the students about this during tutorials and I am sure you will do your utmost to work with us in ensuring that your child/ward is present and engaged at school every day. Students earn 3 extra credits per week towards behaviour awards for each full week of attendance.

We would like to entreat parents/carers to support our initiatives to encourage our boys to attend school always.

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Head of School