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Dear Parents/Carers

It's been a challenging week weather-wise, and students really miss having the freedom of the Astro turf and top yard at lunchtime to play football, however, with temperatures rising over the weekend we hope to have all facilities up and running again by next week.

Please can I remind all students that normal school footwear should again be worn at all times from Monday - the site will be cleared and safe by then. Can I also remind students that a grey V-neck jumper is the only jumper allowed under a blazer. Students will be asked to remove other types of sweatshirt or hoodies. Your support with this is greatly appreciated.

Mrs Hulme delivered assemblies last week to Year 7 and 8 students about the inappropriate use of TikTok and Snapchat. It is important that students understand the dangers of these social media platforms and that the age limit for both is 13. Please see the guides below regarding both platforms:

<https://www.commonsemmedia.org/articles/parents-ultimate-guide-to-tiktok>  
<https://www.commonsemmedia.org/articles/parents-ultimate-guide-to-snapchat>

### **Initial Teacher Training recruitment**

With the ongoing challenge of recruitment and retention across the sector, it is more important than ever that we are working together to build a pipeline of educators across all of our schools in the Trust.

We have started recruiting our second cohort of trainees as an Associate College, partnering the National Institute of Teaching (NlOT). If you are interested, please see the attached flyer attached about how to apply.

### **WAT a West End Star workshops**

We have an exciting opportunity for year 8 and 9 students on 11 December! Students will be taught musical theatre skills by West End stars Jake and Cam Sharp, and the day will culminate in a mass performance of 'Stick it to Man" from School of Rock the Musical. Further details will come out to interested students shortly. Please ask your child to see Mrs McHugh if they would like to put their name down for this opportunity.



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**Finally...**

Well done to all our year 11 students on completing their **first week of PPEs**. It can be a stressful time, but they have behaved really well and tackled their exams with resilience and commitment. All our other students have been completing **Key Assessment Tasks (KATs)** this week and we would also like to say well done to them and ask them to keep up the hard work - it will all pay off in the long run.

Enjoy the weekend when it arrives.

Kind regards



CATY REID  
Headteacher

**Dates for your diary:**

Mon 25 Nov	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Key Stage 3 Assessment week (KATs)</li> <li>• Year 11 PPEs continue</li> </ul>
Fri 29 Nov	INSET day- school closed to students
Mon 2 Dec	Year 11 PPEs continue
Mon 9 Dec	INSET day – school closed to students
Thurs 12 Dec	Awards Evening for ex-year 11 leavers (and by invite for current Years 8-11); 6-7pm
Fri 20 Dec	School closes for Christmas Holiday at 12.30pm
Mon 6 Jan	School reopens for Spring Term 8.40am