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Dear Parents and Carers,

Re: Pupil feedback

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As many of you may know, I meet with the School Senate weekly to discuss items that have been shared with them by the pupil body. To be a member of the Senate, pupils apply and propose why they should be a student representative. In cases where we have multiple applications, we then interview pupils. The pupils have brought to my attention some things that we have acted on and there is further work to do to improve our school for all. Below is some updated information regarding the Senate's most recent meeting with me and how we are looking to address these.

Behaviour

Concerns have been raised about a minority of pupils who are not displaying the high expectations of work and attitude in their studies. Pupils are finding this persistence frustrating and have asked us to act on their feedback. In order to address this, we have reformed our Garden Room provision to ensure that we can improve expectations and ensure that restorative work takes place between staff and pupils. This will commence tomorrow (20.02.24) and help support improving expectations across the school.

Mobile phones and Smart Watches

This morning I reinforced in our primary and secondary assemblies that we have a no mobile phones policy in school, this also is applicable to smart watches. Please can I ask for your support in reinforcing the message. I understand that for pupils travelling on public transport having access to a phone is important, but unfortunately some pupils misuse phones on school site. Our procedure is simple, it is 'See it, Hear it, Lose it.' Please can you remind you child of this expectation, along with ensuring no Smart Watches are brought into school. Should you have any questions of concerns regarding this, please contact your child's class teacher or tutor.

World Book Day

Pupils are keen to celebrate World Book Day and our pastoral teams are meeting to discuss how to celebrate collectively across the school. Further communication will be shared with you this week. Thank you for championing reading and the joy that literature can bring to so many.

We will be sharing a short questionnaire with you as parents shortly to gather further feedback on school life.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Phil Arnold', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Phil Arnold
Headteacher