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Dear Parents and Carers

It has been another busy and interesting week at school. A warm welcome to all the new families who joined our community this week. It's been lovely to see children settling in so well, thank you for the support and positivity you've brought with you. This Week's Highlights have been the Year 10 Boys Football; our team put up a brave and spirited performance against a very strong Cranbrook side. Despite the result, their teamwork and determination were commendable, well done to all involved! It was lovely to welcome our parent choir into school today, the energy and enthusiasm brought a wonderful sense of community and joy to our grounds. Today we've also been interviewing candidates for new Secondary Teaching Assistant roles. We're excited about the potential additions to our team and grateful for the interest in joining our school.

Throughout this week I have been delighted to host Tim Ambrose from the Greenshaw Learning Trust on Monday and Hannah Smart from ACE Tiverton on Thursday. Both were incredibly impressed by the warmth and dedication of our school community. It's always affirming to hear how special our students, staff, and families are from those outside our setting.

Next week

Our Year 11 students will be taking part in classroom-based Walking, Talking mocks in their core subjects. These sessions are designed to build confidence and familiarity with exam conditions. Our first meeting of our new Local Governor Board takes place on Tuesday.

On Thursday 9th October at 10:00, we're looking forward to welcoming prospective families to our Year 7 Open Morning, as they consider joining us in September 2026.

A reminder for Year 7 parents, please save the date for Thursday 16th October for our meet the tutor evening. Further details will be shared shortly.

I learned this week that I've been nominated to represent Devon's secondary headteachers on the Devon Education Forum. I've accepted the role and look forward to working with colleagues across the county to support and champion our schools.

Parent feedback updates:

- **Maths:** We are currently recruiting for a new Subject Lead for Maths, following Miss White's departure. Mr O'Connell has been supporting us this term on a fixed term basis to ensure strong classroom practice continues. The vacancies represent a growth in the school.
- **Homework Clarity:** We're working on improving clarity around homework expectations, including how much time should be spent on each subject by year group. More information will follow soon.
- **Celebrating Staff:** All individual teacher recognition received has been shared with staff, thank you for your kind words.

If you have any further feedback for us at school, please follow the links below.

<https://forms.office.com/e/mhQRPsh3NW>

Website:

Thomas Hall School – Parents

[Parent Link](#)

As always, thank you for your continued partnership. If you have any questions or feedback, please don't hesitate to get in touch.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'P. Arnold', is placed on a light grey rectangular background.

Phil Arnold
Headteacher