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Dear Parents and Carers,

As we come to the end of another busy and successful academic year, I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your continued support and partnership. Working together enables us to provide the very best opportunities for our young people, and I am grateful for the trust you place in us each day.

This year has been filled with many achievements, both inside and outside the classroom. Our students have demonstrated determination, resilience and ambition in their learning whilst also distinguishing themselves through their contributions to our wider school community. Whether through academic success, sporting achievements, performances, leadership opportunities or acts of kindness, our students have represented the school with maturity, respect and integrity. They continue to show what can be achieved when young people are supported, challenged and inspired to be their very best, and it is this collective spirit, aspiration and sense of community that makes us so "Proud to be Moor Park".

I would also like to recognise and thank our dedicated staff, whose commitment, expertise and care continue to ensure that our students receive the highest quality education and support. Their hard work makes a significant difference to the lives of our young people every day.

As we move into the summer holiday, I encourage all of our young people to make the most of the opportunities around them. Whilst technology certainly has its place, the holiday is an ideal time to step away from screens, spend time outdoors, enjoy fresh air, exercise, explore new interests and reconnect with family and friends. Reading remains one of the most valuable activities for developing knowledge, vocabulary and imagination, and I would encourage students to pick up a book, set themselves a reading challenge or join their local library.

The holiday period is also a good opportunity to maintain healthy routines. Whilst a break from school is important, students benefit greatly from keeping regular sleeping patterns, staying physically active, eating well and finding a balance between relaxation and productive activities. Maintaining these habits over the summer can make the return to school in September much easier and helps young people to protect their physical health, emotional wellbeing and readiness to learn.

Online Safety

I would also ask parents and carers to remain vigilant regarding online safety. With increased free time during the holidays, young people often spend more time online using social media, gaming platforms and messaging apps. Please continue to take an active interest in your child's online activity, talk openly about staying safe online and ensure that appropriate privacy settings and parental controls are in place where needed. Encouraging regular breaks from devices and promoting a healthy balance between online and offline activities can make a significant difference to young people's wellbeing.

Most importantly, I hope our students remain active, engaged, responsible and safe throughout the break, making positive choices, looking after one another and creating happy memories with family and friends.

Support during the summer

We recognise that the summer holidays can bring different challenges for families. If you or your child require advice, support or someone to talk to, the Help in Preston website is an excellent source of information and signposting, connecting families to a wide range of local support services, including family wellbeing, youth activities, health and wellbeing services and community organisations. Young people can also access confidential advice and support through Talkzone should they need it.

September Reminders

As we look ahead to the new academic year, I would like to remind families about our expectations regarding school uniform. If you need to purchase new uniform items, please do so as early as possible during the summer holiday. Suppliers can become particularly busy towards the end of August and purchasing early helps to ensure that any necessary exchanges or size adjustments can be made in plenty of time. If different sizes are required, Monkhouse can assist with arranging these.

We also ask parents and carers to ensure that students return in full compliance with our school uniform policy. As a school, we maintain high standards and apply our uniform expectations consistently. Please note that students are not permitted to wear piercings in school. If students are considering having piercings during the summer holiday, these should be done at the very beginning of the break to allow sufficient time for them to heal and be removed before the start of the autumn term. Students will be expected to comply fully with the uniform policy from their first day back in September.

Above all, I hope that our students return in September having enjoyed a well-earned break, having looked after themselves and others, and ready to embrace the opportunities and challenges of a new academic year. It has been a privilege to watch them grow in confidence, character and achievement throughout the year, and I look forward to seeing all that they will accomplish in the future.

Thank you once again for your continued support of our school community. On behalf of all staff and governors, I wish you and your families a safe, restful and enjoyable summer holiday.

Yours sincerely,

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