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Dear Parent/Carer,

We are looking forward to some normality this week as students return from self-isolation. Year 10 will return on Monday and year 12's on Tuesday. It will be great to have them back in the building. The year 10's arrive just in time for their assessment week. These will take place in classrooms and help assess their progress this year. We will share the grades they achieved at the end of the term. These assessments are purely to find out how the students are progressing.

I will be writing a letter to the parents of 11 and 13 next week to clarify the process in determining grades this year and arrangements for collection.

## **Sports day**

This has been a little different this year and completed over a few days. The year 10's will be able to do theirs in the penultimate week of the year. Despite the logistics and weather delays the students have really enjoyed themselves. This is one of my favourite events. It highlights our school values perfectly. The students are so supportive and encouraging for all competitors. Awesome.

## **Student request**

Students have amazing minds, and you never quite know what they might say or ask. This is a new one for me. I have been asked to spend the day in a wheelchair next week. Just in case false information is relayed, I have not been injured. I think this is a great opportunity to try to gain a little understanding of what this must like every day for people who need wheelchairs to move around.

## **September**

There are still no firm decisions about what the restrictions may be in September, but they are beginning to hint at some possibilities. I am taking hope from this that we may find out before the end of term and not 31 August. Whatever the guidelines say we are confident that we can support students in a safe way and adhere to regulations. Currently, it is looking like bubbles will end and so will large group isolations. Something we are all looking forward too.

Best wishes and enjoy the weekend.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Andy Greenhough'.

**Andy Greenhough**

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