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Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope this letter finds you well. I am writing to share some important updates regarding our school community.

Firstly, we would like to express our sincere gratitude to everyone who participated in the consultation on the car park charges for Memorial Park. We are pleased to inform you that the council has decided not to implement the proposed charges for drop-off and collection of children.

Additionally, we have been working closely with National Express and Travel West Midlands on our 9S bus service, which has been secured until Easter. As there is a wider review of transport underway across the West Midlands, we will be able to share the outcome for the 9S bus service once the review has been completed.

We would also like to thank all the parents who have supported us in ensuring that uniform and equipment issues were resolved over the half-term break. This has been extremely helpful in ensuring a smooth start to the new term.

We have an important staffing update to share with you. Miss Durkan, who has been the Head of Year, will be moving on from her current position to focus on Behaviour and Catholic Life across the school. This new opportunity will allow her to support the whole school community in a different capacity. We are delighted to welcome Miss Newell into the role of Head of Year, and we are confident that she will continue to guide our students towards success. Miss Durkan has asked me to share a few words with you all:

"It has truly been a pleasure and a privilege to serve as Head of Year. Watching your children grow and flourish over the past months/years is one of the most fulfilling aspects of my role. I feel incredibly fortunate to have been a part of their GCSE journey, and I will continue to track their progress and encourage their development. I want to reassure you that the students are in very capable hands as Miss S Newell takes on the role of Head of Year from Deputy. I have full confidence in her abilities, dedication, and passion for supporting the students in her care, and I know she will continue to guide them toward success. Thank you for your ongoing support throughout my time as Head of Year. I wish both year groups every success in the future, and I look forward to continuing to work with you all in my new capacity."

Finally, we would like to invite you all to an exciting fundraising event at our school on Friday, 14th March. We are hosting a Race Night to raise funds for our Year 12 students going to Lourdes. It would be wonderful to see some of our families attend this great cause. The event will start at 6:30 pm, and entry is £3 (under 12s are free). There will be a bar, tuck shop, and a raffle. Please note that this is a cash-only event.





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As we journey through this sacred season, let us be strengthened by the words of His Holiness Pope Francis, "do good because it is good... to feel always under the gaze of our heavenly Father and to live in union with Him, not in relation to the judgement of others." Let us embrace opportunities to perform acts of kindness for others and to give discreetly, not for personal fame or glorification. The gift of a giving heart is a true blessing worth passing on to our young people.

Sincerely,

Sarah Boyle Headteacher

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