

## Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2018



Dear Year 8 Students

Well, we may be marching into spring (see what I did there?), but the weather seems to disagree! We have succumbed to the 'Beast from the East', as has much of the country. But, we must say that we are very proud of how you conducted yourselves around the school site on Wednesday. We recognise the temptations of snow, but you all seemed to have understood the importance of avoiding those temptations and moving around the site sensibly and safely. Also, many of you were wearing black coats, but some weren't wearing a coat at all! It is still going to be cold for a while, so you need to keep warm!

We anticipate being open again on Monday. It is forecast to be slightly warmer and brighter from Sunday, but with Storm Emma hitting the west of the country at the moment, those forecasts can be changeable. Do keep an eye on the school website and social media for updates. Also, as we have missed two days of learning, it is imperative that you check Show My Homework. Your teachers or Heads of Department have set work for you. Do have some fun in the snow, but make some time to keep yourselves up-to-date with school too!

If school is open on Monday (it will be...), make sure you are in. Don't forget Mrs Evans' attendance challenge. Depending on how high your attendance is this half-term, you will be given raffle tickets for a prize draw at the end of term. There are some great prizes (details to follow), but a drone is definitely up for grabs!

A repeat reminder regarding jewellery and phones. Silver or gold studs only; no cubic zirconia or other types of bling. Also, you are not allowed to use your mobile phones until you've left the school site. Do expect bling and phones to be confiscated if you are breaking the rules. You have been warned! Again!

Have a great weekend! Be safe!

Many thanks

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**Quote of the week:** 

"Sometimes the strength within you is not a fiery flame that all can see, it is just a tiny spark that whispers softly, "you got this", "keep going"" — Any Lengths.

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Please let us have your nominations for any members of staff who have exceeded your expectations this



**Staff Member** of the Week

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Paper copies of nominations can be dropped into the boxes in main reception

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## KEY EVENTS – w/c 5th March 2018

	AM Tutor	PM Tutor
Monday	Independent learning/Silent Reading	Learning reflection
Tuesday	Independent learning/Silent Reading	Learning reflection
Wednesday	Sports Hall Assembly	Learning reflection
Thursday	Independent learning/Silent Reading	Learning reflection
Friday	Tutor: News Quiz	Learning reflection

## **Lunch-time and Period 6 detentions**

Lunch-time detentions for lateness and uniform in M13 P6 in HoY office with Miss Douse/Mrs Howes from after school until 3:30pm

If you do not attend your lunchtime detention, there will be a message sent out via schoolcomms to your parents/carers and you will be expected to be in period 6 the following day.

## **Key Dates:**

Date	Event
Thursday 15 <sup>th</sup> March	PSHE Period 2
Wednesday 21st March	Year 8 Inter-house Competition

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