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Dear Parents and Carers,

As we reach the end of the second term, we again thank your for all your support, kindness and generosity. Our Lenten fundraising has reached above £600 with more still to be added from the Year 7 and Year 8 sponsored walk (which we postponed today due to the wet weather and mud!) Well done to 9 Hinsley who raised over £100 with their bun sale today!

Our Easter hamper winners are... Parent hamper – Mr & Mrs Quinn KS3 hamper – Zach G (Y9) KS4 hamper – Hannah M (Y11) Staff hamper – Mrs Oram



Lots of our students and staff wore bright colours and 'non-uniform' today to raise money and show their support for 'World Autism Acceptance Week'. Our students and staff have taken part in activities this week to raise awareness of Autism. It was also lovely to welcome parents into school on Thursday, finding out more about autism and sharing their experiences. A special mention to Freddie C in Year 9 who spoke to parents about how it feels to be autistic; the positives and the negatives. Freddie is in the process of putting information and ideas into a book. Well done Freddie!

Today we had Easter liturgies for Key Stage three and Key Stage four. A big thank you to all the students who read and took part in each liturgy. The choir sang beautifully.



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Maths Competition

Eight Y10 pupils took part in a maths competition on Wednesday at Hull University, run by The Advanced Maths Support Programme (https://amsp.org.uk/). Their mathematical knowledge and team working skills were put to the test against 14 other secondary schools. There were four rounds and the teams worked tirelessly, until the end! Congratulations to Kiera D, Lily B, Natalija D, Tom M, Shenal R, Kyle B, Emily H, Sophie L.



Year 11 - National Citizen service (NCS)

Today Year 11 were shown a pre-recorded assembly from National Citizen Service (NCS). This is a fantastic opportunity for them to take part in during the summer holidays. NCS is a Government funded initiative ran across the country and comprises of a five-day residential where pupils can develop life skills, employability skills and/or plan and deliver a social action, all for just £95. Y11 parents have been sent a letter and information leaflet separately.

Reminders...

Monday 17th April – return to school (normal time) It will be week one!

Thursday 20th April – Y10 parents evening in school (information was emailed to Y10 parents today)
Please remember that there are two Monday bank holidays next half term: 1st May and 8th May. The 8th May is the additional bank holiday for the King's coronation.

Monday 15th May – the first GCSE exam! Students will be continuing to attend lessons and following a revision programme in school when they are not in exams. They will have an assembly after the holiday to explain all the arrangements.

Please see the additional sheet with some well-being and safeguarding updates and information.

It has been a 'full on', productive term in school and it is great to see the progress our students are making as well as the wider educational and enrichment experiences they have taken part in. Together we will continue to help them to 'grow in wisdom and grace'.

"The great gift of Easter is hope." Basil C. Hume

All my best wishes for a relaxing Easter break,

Mrs D. Mitchell Headteacher

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