Year 9 end of term Letter/jr 30 March 2023

Dear Parents/Guardians

Re: Year 9 - End of Term

After what has felt like an incredibly long term, we wanted to write to you to send all of our best ahead of the Easter break.

Throughout the dark mornings and the rainy afternoons, our Year 9 cohort have continued to shine brightly, and make us incredibly proud with their continued hard efforts within their Pathways choices. This is clearly demonstrated in the grand total of **56,993 positive erefs** so far this academic year - incredible!

Many of our young people continue to go above and beyond through the opportunities presented to them - be that in their support of the Wildern 90th celebrations, Dance Live, sporting fixtures, DofE, school trips and after school catch-ups and clinics. They are beginning to see that they get out of their school journey what they put into their school journey; this will prove particularly beneficial to them as their KS4 experience continues.

Before we start the summer term and following the letter home from Miss Jones, Assistant Headteacher, we would recommend that our Year 9 cohort dust off their revision timetables which they made in tutor time during the Autumn term and begin to put them to good use. Our exams week is between **Tuesday 2 May and Friday 5 May 2023** and we would like each and every one of our year group to go into their exam experience positive, building up their confidence while having a good month ahead to revise.

Please do take a look at the original letter for two very helpful links on 'Coping with Exam Stress' and 'How to Revise Effectively'.

Mr Morrison would like to add: 'When I wrote a similar message this time last term, I wrote about how proud I was of the way Year 9 had represented Wildern School in the autumn term as well as for working so hard at the start of your GCSE pathways. This has only grown stronger as we near the end of the spring term, with incredible dedication to learning, sporting achievement and immaculate representation of our school on trips, which I feel, perfectly sums up our year group ethos. Thank you all for being a part of this.

Now that we are leaving behind the dark evenings and (hopefully) colder weather, I am also hopeful that the season of colds and more difficult wake ups is also in the rear view mirror and as such I would like to take the opportunity to encourage all students to continue to aim for 100%

attendance at school. This will of course continue to give them the best chance of academic success and ensure they do not miss out on any opportunities to continue to represent our school in such a fantastic way. Enjoy a well-deserved break over Easter and I look forward to seeing you all rested up and ready to go for the summer term'.

Finally, a big thank you to you! We really wanted to pass on our appreciation for your continued support with uniform, punctuality and attendance standards.

In order to assist our students to do the very best they can, we need them in our classrooms and this becomes a lot easier with the help of your support and encouragement. Thank you.

We hope you all manage to spend quality time together with your friends and families over Easter and look forward to seeing our students return with a spring in their step on **April 17**th!

Best wishes

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