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Dear Parent/Guardian

## End of Half Term Update - Feb 2026

It has been another jam-packed half term which has included our GCSE celebration afternoon, Gold Duke of Edinburgh training days, Year 10 PPEs, multiple parents' information evenings, our Year 8 Art Show, countless sports fixtures, several trips and day visits, and the wonderful production of Willy Wonka! (much of which you can read about in the Spotlight emailed to you earlier this week).

A huge thank you to all my colleagues for the relentless efforts in providing so many opportunities for our young people both in the classroom and as part of our extensive extra-curricular provision.

A special mention to our Year 10 students for their mature approach to their PPEs last month. They were truly outstanding and were a true credit to themselves, you as parents, and the school.

Over the last year or so, several MES senior staff and MET colleagues have been working tirelessly researching, and applying for, multiple grants and educational bursaries in order to upgrade many of our school facilities. I am pleased to say that several of these applications have been successful and, as a result, I am thrilled to announce that we will be investing over £1 million in our school over the next 8 – 12 months.

Some of the highlights of this investment include:

- Retractable tiered seating in the drama studio
- A new lighting rig and lights in the drama studio
- An investment in the canteen to improve the flow of students through the serving areas to reduce waiting times for all students
- New flooring in multiple school corridors, stairwells and other large areas
- New, more versatile, soft furnishing in the sixth form common room
- Complete redecoration of the main hall to include a new floor, new stage curtains, and the installation of air conditioning
- The complete refurbishment and modernisation of three science labs
- Refurbishment of four blocks of student toilets in M block
- A brand-new photography suite including new PCs
- Replacement of multiple school boilers to improve the heating system of the school
- A project to create a much improved, modern façade at the front of the school



These developments will no doubt have a positive impact on all members of our school community and will support us in continuing to provide an exceptional education for our students in the years to come.

This is a fantastic achievement, and my sincere thanks goes to all my school and Trust colleagues who have contributed towards these bids over the last 12 months. Let's hope we are just as successful in years to come!

Finally, I wish you all a very happy and healthy half term.

Yours sincerely



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Headteacher

