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Dear Parent/Carer,

As the skeins of geese flying above the academy remind us autumn is well and truly here and the clocks will shortly go back, it brings a close to a half term packed full of aspiration, achievement and adventure.

The first Student Council meeting was held, and the agendas set for future meetings. It is always humbling to see so many students willing to give their time to offer their voice and work proactively to improve our academy.

Rewards took the place, with sausage sandwiches and hot chocolate being enjoyed in an attendance breakfast for 7HDH, who celebrated a week of 100% attendance. Year 8 made a fantastic effort, filling their now famous bake sale full of tempting treats to raise money for their chosen charity, Diabetes UK.

Centre Assessed Exams have been underway with our Year 11s behaving with remarkable resilience and respect as they have undertaken a full week of exams. Both Year 11 and Year 12 visited the Hull and East Riding Careers Fair to consider future possibilities, ensuring positive destinations for all our learners.

Work on the new gym has increased apace, as a wall has been removed and the equipment has arrived. This whole project has been initiated and project managed by three of our Year 11 student council members; more news about this exciting addition will follow.

In sporting news, 42 students competed in the East Riding Cross Country Championships and Year 7 Charlie became Cross Country Champion whilst Demi also finished third in the Year 8/9 girls race. Last night our Year 7 boys were confirmed East Riding Champions out of 17 schools who entered the competition. Success continues for our Year 8 boys rugby team who haven't lost a game during their campaign. The Year 8 girls football team reached the quarter finals of Tigers Trust inclusive football tournament, winning 4 out of 5 of their matches. Lexi scored 15 goals throughout the tournament and our sports leaders officiated throughout. Fantastic effort from all involved.

And finally, this week also saw the launch of the Annual Christmas Card Competition. All students are invited to collect an entry form and produce a design, the winning design will be this year's official Christmas Card. A lovely activity for the half term perhaps? Closing date Monday 13th November.

Hope you all have a relaxing half term break.

Yours faithfully,

Mr N Holder Headteacher