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Dear Parent/Carer

Acting Rector's Weekly Update 26-2-16

This week I reflect on the major success of the Rotary fundraiser for flood victims. As expected, Celtacad excelled but special mention goes to Greg who produced a magical Dynamo performance in front of so many at the Town Hall. I was also pleased to read this week about former pupil, Scott Horn, who secured an apprenticeship at I&K motors after a series of successful work placements.

I take this opportunity to thank teaching colleagues for the completion of our Senior Phase reports. Be it good news or bad, students and teachers now have a number of weeks to work together to address any issues and ensure students realise their potential. Supporting this process, I am pleased to acknowledge a comprehensive mentoring programme which will offer some of our learners additional subject and holistic tuition. Good luck to all pupils in pursuit of their grades.

This week's highlights include seniors' participation in the AWPR developments, respect-for-all assemblies, reduced litter in Jackson Street and school engagement with the Inverurie Sports Hub. Furthermore, I was pleased to meet with the expanding parent council and pursue partnerships which will improve outcomes for pupils. Topping things off this week, I am fortunate to secure the public speaking services of Josh M who has agreed to introduce our candidates in advance of the mock election on 10<sup>th</sup> March.

As I look forward, some issues with uniform, mobile phones, lateness and chewing gum need to improve and will be addressed at Year Head assemblies next week. On a final positive note though, corridor manners, etiquette and a positive ethos is continuing to come to the fore. Next week also sees the final of our YPI competition where one charity will be awarded £3000 on Tuesday evening.

As ever, I would like to wish all of our parents/careers a very good weekend

Yours faithfully,



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