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Dear Parent/Carer

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Our S2-6 pupils returned on Tuesday to start their new timetables. It was nice to have the school 'almost' full again and see the majority of pupils looking smart in school dress. There was a positive working ethos in classrooms this week and S3-6 pupils were keen to get started on their 'new' subjects.

In addition to the start of the new timetable, it is great to see the amount of extra-curricular opportunities for pupils starting up again for this session. We will continue to encourage pupils to listen to the list of activities read out in the daily bulletin and go along and take part.

On Thursday, S5 pupils who are undertaking Highers in English, Maths, Business Management, Accounts, Biology, Chemistry, Physics and Computing completed a training session with a presenter from Scholar. They were taught about how they can use the Scholar website to access course notes, practice assessments, revision tools, tutorials and a range of other resources available to them to support their studies this year. The pupils reported that they enjoyed the session and that Scholar was a tool that they plan to use throughout the session. (Further information about Scholar for parent/carers is available under the 'Curriculum-Study Skills' tab on the school website).

I have been very impressed with our new S6 this week. There is a positive atmosphere in both the study room and common room, and I was impressed with their common room whiteboard which had been covered with their thoughts on how they wanted the room to be during the year - a lovely idea! In addition, I'd like to thank Katie A for organising the 'tour guides' for our candidates for the English and Humanities posts we interviewed today. The candidates reported that their guides were great ambassadors for the school.

Finally, we wish our Duke of Edinburgh Bronze Award group, who are our first pupils completing their final expedition this weekend, the best of luck and hope the weather stays dry for them.

Yours faithfully,

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