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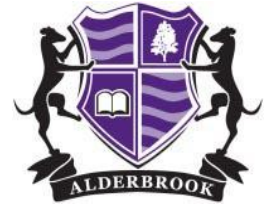
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Dear Parents/Carers

I would like to congratulate our Year 11s on completing their first full set of mock exams; the students applied themselves very well and will be receiving their results in the next few weeks. It was lovely to welcome Year 7 parents and carers into school yesterday to meet tutors and staff, and we are very much looking forward to seeing parents at the Key Stage 4 Presentation Evening next week.

As we approach the end of the first half term I want to share a few important updates.

Household Support - October half term holiday 2022

A payment of £15 per child will be provided as food support for families in receipt of benefits-related free school meals, for the October half term holiday period. Vouchers will be issued by the start of the holiday. Other support continues to be available to families. Details are available on the Solihull Here2Help webpage:

<https://www.solihull.gov.uk/here2help>

Free School Meals

If you are unsure if your child would qualify for Free School Meals, we encourage you to see if your family is eligible; you simply need to fill in the form at this link:

www.solihull.gov.uk/fsm. Checks will then be carried out by SMBC, and all parties will be notified of the outcome.

Parent trustee elections

We will shortly be writing to you with details of a Parent Trustee Vacancy on the Alderbrook School Trustee Board. If you are a parent or carer of a student at the school and are interested in taking on a very important role in our school community, we hope you will apply for the role.

Updates from the Police

As we approach Halloween and the festive season the police have asked us to pass on two key messages:

1. The legal age to buy fireworks is 18 and it is against the law for anyone to set off fireworks between 11pm and 7am.



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2. There has been a rise in bicycle thefts in Solihull; all bike riders should ensure their bike is locked with a strong bike lock when left unattended.

Fostering campaign launches

Solihull Council has launched an online campaign to recruit more foster carers from across the region. The 'Foster for Solihull' campaign aims to encourage people to consider becoming a foster carer and provide children with a loving home and a sense of belonging.

The campaign focuses on the 24/7 support for foster carers, as well as the opportunity to join a community of like-minded people. Foster for Solihull prides itself on the wealth of support and resources for its fostering families. It's a combination of 24/7 access to an experienced fostering team, as well as local training that's exclusive to the borough.

For more information please click [here](#).

Yours faithfully



Tom Beveridge
Headteacher

