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Dear Parents

I hope you and your family had a good Christmas and New Year.

This morning we began our new term with a whole school assembly on the 1970s American distance runner Steve Prefontaine; he said 'to give anything less than your best is to sacrifice the gift' and is considered the inspiration for the sportswear company NIKE.

With the Nike 'Just Do It' tagline in mind, it promises to be a busy term; some of the key events leading up to half term are listed below.

- Year 8 Assessment week beginning 7 January
- Year 11 interviews 14 and 15 January
- Year 10 Assessment week beginning 21 January
- Celebration Evening 24 January
- Super Learning Day 29 January
- Art Exhibition 30 January
- Year 11 Pre Public Exams beginning 4 February
- Year 8 Parents' Evening 7 February
- School Production of High School Musical 14 and 15 February

I would also like to take this opportunity to remind pupils and parents that we operate a strict rule that mobile phones are not to be used by pupils at school between 8:30am and 3pm; if parents need to contact their children for any reason during the day, please call the main reception on 01485 534541.

Yours sincerely

Mr S Wilson
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