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Dear Parents and Carers

Another week has flown by, and like the weather, change seems to be the constant! Another constant is the really good feedback related to many of your sons/daughters and how they are making some great progress. Please note the word 'progress' is always used in the widest sense! This may be in the more traditional sense of academic progress in lesson but it also includes progress with improved attendance, participation, making friends or keeping friends and being kind to others.

Update related to Covid 19.

As per guidance, staff have been offered the opportunity to remove masks this week. Some have done this and welcomed it whilst others have chosen to keep theirs on. There is no right or wrong with this process. All of our other protocols remain in place and will do for a number of weeks. I will communicate any changes as they happen.

Please note that it continues to be true to state that we must all do our part to keep on track with recent improvements regarding infection rates etc. Therefore, I would like to take this opportunity to emphasise the following:

- Please follow the rules and regulations when out and about at the weekends or evenings
- If you or any of your family display symptoms, access testing as soon as you can and avoid going out.
- Do not send your child into school if they display any of the symptoms

I am sure we are all keeping a 'watchful eye' on the new variant and its impact.

New Mayor of Stevenage!

It gives me great pleasure to pass on the exciting news that our long serving Chair of the Trust-Mrs Sandra Barr has been duly elected as Stevenage Mayor. We are privileged to have Sandra continue to direct our Board of Trustees with such dedication and passion. It will also be nice to let the pupils know that the Mayor is coming to visit!

Autism Accreditation Visit next week.

We will welcome Nikki Kennedy to our site on Tuesday 25th May to conduct the second part of this process. We have already spend a day participating in a series of interviews with Nikki, who spoke to a range of staff and some pupils about our autism practice. Please be rest assured that Nikki will have had a lateral flow test on the day of her visit, and will follows the schools current protocols during her visit next week. We always welcome her feedback and constructive advice.

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Parent Survey for next week!

Please keep a look out for the email/link for this next week. It will have a very Covid flavour and apologies for this in advance. However, we want to capture what you think we have done well, what we could improve in the future based on previous events. We would also welcome your ideas for events coming up and how we might run these. Examples include Sports Day, Parents Evening meetings and Education, Health Care plan reviews.

Yours sincerely

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