



**HEDINGHAM SCHOOL  
AND SIXTH FORM**  
ACHIEVEMENT & EXCELLENCE

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Dear Parent/Guardian

I am writing to you to inform you of some of the wider curriculum activities your child will be taking part in this term.

Students start each day with a Personal Development (PD) session. Tutors will be exploring the knowledge and skills needed for living in the wider world, including careers and employability skills, forging positive personal relationships and making informed choices with their health and well-being.

Students also receive weekly assemblies on a range of current affairs and setting the wider context to their educational journey. The content often reflects our character expectations of all Hedingham students which are available to view on our school website and within the Behaviour and Relationships Policy.

On Friday 18 October, we will be asking students to wear something red to raise awareness of showing racism the red card. This builds on their Personal Development sessions which have explored and celebrated Black History.

This year's Anti Bullying Week will take place on the week beginning 11 November with the national theme of 'Choose Respect.' We will be encouraging students to wear odd socks on Friday 15 November to again raise the importance of celebrating our differences.

We have been delighted to launch our School Parliament and have already seen numerous students apply to become part of our Year Group Councils. Student voice feedback continues to ensure students are empowered within their educational experience and have an avenue to have their voice heard.

In addition to this, our Inter House competitions are underway and staff are already nominating students as Subject Stars which are recognised in our half-termly Celebration Assemblies.

Students will continue to complete 'mood scales' within Personal Development once a half term. This ensures every child has an avenue for communicating if they are struggling with any aspect of their well-being. Students can also continue to access the Student Support Centre, complete Orange Cards around the school or email [safe@hedingham.essex.sch.uk](mailto:safe@hedingham.essex.sch.uk)

If you have any concern about any aspect of your child's education or welfare, please contact your child's Year Leader or Form Tutor.

Yours sincerely

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