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Dear parents and carers,

As you know, we returned to school in very sad circumstances following the news on the tragic incident early New Year's Day. As mentioned in my brief communication to parents, support was provided for students and staff via our colleagues at central services and the local authority. This support will continue in various forms. As a school, we look at such events in three phases:

Short term which is immediate, medium term which is the coming months and long term which will take us into next academic year onwards. As a school community, it is important that we remember that such incidents can have a long-lasting impact and have plans in place for such a scenario.

Everyone has been brilliant both staff and students. They have been supporting each other and there has been a willingness to talk about how we feel and to ask for support. Running in parallel has been our usual school routines as at times like these, routines and systems can be of great benefit. In practice, this has meant lessons as normal.

The breakfast club is celebrating its 6th anniversary this week, my thanks to all the volunteers, the kitchen staff and to Warburtons who make this happen.

Finally, I would like to say that it is all too easy to take each other for granted, especially those who we see every day. So, if you haven't already, dare I suggest that you take a moment and look around you and be grateful for those who you love and let them know how special they are?

Attendance this week

Monday	Year 10	96.56%
Tuesday	Year 10	98.09%
Wednesday	Year 7	96.72%
Thursday	Year 7	95.90%
Friday	Year 10	96.90%

I hope you have a good weekend.

Yours faithfully

Mr Jim Nixon
Headteacher

Future events:

Monday 13 January – Send virtual Parents' Evening

Tuesday 14 January – Trust Year 11 success event at Hull University

Wednesday 15 January – Year 11 Theatre Trip (An Inspector Calls)
Thursday 16 January – Trust Year 11 success event at Hull University
Thursday 23 January – Year 8 Parents’ Evening