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Dear Parents

My sincere thanks for your continued support in engaging with Kingsdown School for the full benefit of your child. This continues to be appreciated.

I would like to congratulate all our students on their progress since September - especially our year 7s. Together, they have settled into life at Kingsdown extremely well. They continue to hold the highest record of attendance and achievement points. I would also like to congratulate our year 11 students who have recently completed their Mock examinations. All students have responded well to the feedback given by their teachers. They are all clear about their gaps and what they need to do in order to close them.

The new year will provide us all with the opportunity to set a new year's resolutions – time to recognise where we can and want to make improvements. Everyone at Kingsdown remains committed to working hard to secure and achieve our vision of becoming a “school of excellence, bursting with pride and ambition”. Your support is needed here especially in ensuring that your child:

- attends each and every day – 95% is our minimum target and that they are on site by 8.30am
- is always ready to learn and clear about high expectations in and outside of the classroom
- completes their homework – as you know every student always has a week to complete this – and
- sees their teachers if there is ever a question or issue linked to their learning.

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to get in touch. As you know, all email addresses can be found on our website.

Our students return to Kingsdown at 8.30am on Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> January. I know that I can count on your support in ensuring that your child is in full uniform as per our policy, is fully equipped and attends each and every day.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you as parents for continuing to support the school especially through attending the numerous events that have taken place since September. These events have included, parent information evenings, parent subject evenings as well as extra-curricular and sporting events. Your time here is needed and appreciated by your child and the team at Kingsdown. Do please keep referring to our website for the many events planned from January to July.

For now, I wish you and your family a happy Christmas as well as a happy and prosperous new year.

With best wishes  
Mrs Leigh-Bennett  
**Headteacher**