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Dear parents

As we come to the end of the academic year, I am writing to inform you of our plans for the last week of term, to provide you with key dates for next academic year and to remind you of some of our expectations.

Thank you for supporting us with our new healthy eating policy. The students have really embraced it and we have only occasionally had to confiscate items that do not comply with our policy. Students have been drinking far more water and many have been eating fruit, instead of sweets.

Teachers have been busy over the last 2 weeks marking exams and writing reports. The behaviour of year 10 students during exams was exemplary. Their professional conduct made the whole week run smoothly and meant that all students were able to focus on their exams and were not distracted by inappropriate behaviour. You will receive your child's full report in the next few days.

Next week, our last of this academic year, is our first ever culture week. On Monday and Tuesday, students will be working in small groups, comprising year 10 and year 12 students. The groups will be given a country to research and will create a traditional garment and a traditional dish from that country. They will also research its music and history. The countries that have been chosen for students to research are representative of the cultures across the student body at Health Futures. The 2 days will culminate in a fashion show where students will show off the garments that they have made.

On Wednesday we will be holding sports day. Students will travel by coach to Tipton Athletics Academy and will take part in a range of track and field events. We are anticipating an earlier finish for students on that day.

Thursday, as you know, is our visit to London. Most students will be travelling to London by coach and will be on a tour of the city or Greenwich for the day. It is important that students arrive to school for 7.00 a.m. We anticipate arriving back to school for approximately 9.30 p.m. Students who are not participating on the trip will be completing a



range of activities across their subjects which will relate to London. Attendance in school for those not participating on the trip is compulsory.

On Friday students will have the opportunity to wear their traditional cultural dress, should they wish to do so. If they do not have traditional cultural dress, they can wear an outfit that represents the history of the country they culturally identify with. Alternatively, they may choose to wear their uniform. Students will leave at 12.30, after assembly.

Finally, I would like to remind you of the dress code for year 10 and 11 students and have attached a list to this letter. There has been some discussion around skirt length this term and, as a compromise, we have allowed students with shorter skirts to wear them with black tights. This is a compromise however, and from September skirts must be of knee length as described on the attachment. Year 11 students will need to purchase a black tie. The tie can be purchased through Parentpay or at reception, the cost of the tie is £5.

Thank you for your support for the last 12 months. It has been a difficult year for the students but I have enjoyed getting to know them and working with them. I feel very positive about the progress they will make next year and the futures that they all have ahead of them.

Yours sincerely



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Principal

