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Dear parent/carer

As we approach the Easter Break, I thought I would send you our usual half-termly update.

- 1. Thank you to everyone who completed our parent survey. This, along with the student and staff surveys, will be reviewed to help us move the school forward. A number of ideas have already been suggested, which is great, and we will be looking to implement some of them during the summer term.
- 2. With Year 11 on their final approach to GCSEs it was great to see families attend our Year 11 Revision Evening. Just to remind families there are some simple revision resources on the school website:

Revision resources

You can also find the presentation from the event in the same area. On the topic of revision, just a reminder there is an Easter revision programme available. Please encourage your child to sign up to these valuable sessions; details were sent home by Mr Yassin last week.

- 3. We have been made aware that a number of local post-16 providers have recently changed their offering for September and dropped courses that students from Taverham have applied for. If this applies to your child, and they wish to discuss their options, please encourage them to contact Mr Linnell, our Head of Sixth Form as soon as possible. We intend to close applications fairly soon after the Easter break.
- 4. Since we introduced the cap on the number of negatives students could receive in a week without further consequence, we are delighted to say that no student has reached this level. Therefore we will be reducing the cap to help address low-level disruption so that all students can learn in their lessons.
- 5. We have recently noticed an increase in the number of students wearing leggings, jewellery and nonschool hoodies. As such, after Easter we will be revisiting our checks on uniform. Please ensure your child is in the correct uniform when they arrive at school. If there are any issues, then please contact your child's head of year.
- 6. The Sixth form held their annual *RAGfest* where they raised over £3500 for the East Anglian Air Ambulance, a charity that is very close to our school following the incident that happened to Mr Linnell. Just to remind you that the <u>THS Colour Run</u> on Thursday 11 May is also part of this and it would be great to have as many participants as possible. It is open to all THS students and their families, with a distance of just under a mile.

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- 8. The F1 in Schools competition took place on Thursday. The students had a great time and came away with three awards: best verbal presentation; best engineered car, and they were crowned Regional Champions in Entry Class which means they receive a VIP invite to spectate at the National Finals.... well done Speed Demons!
- 9. It was great to see a number of students on the front cover of Just Drayton and Taverham as they go on to represent Great Britain in the 13th World Martial Arts Games: best of luck to you all. It's great to find out about things like this, so please let us know if your child is involved in something beyond school.

We hope you all have an amazing Easter and look forward to seeing everyone back on Tuesday 18 April, ready for the summer term.

With best wishes

Dr R Harris Headteacher