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Dear Parent/Guardian

### Re: Year 7 – End of Term Letter

This term seems to have flown by, Christmas is a distant memory and as we live in hope of the weather improving over the Easter holidays we can start to look forward to the summer approaching. The girls have had a very busy term, they have participated in many charity events and inter-house competitions and probably the highlight for most was the trip to Rushall Farm. I was not lucky enough to be able to attend the trip but I have heard lots of excited stories. Despite the harsh weather it seems that the girls thoroughly enjoyed their experience.

On Tuesday, this week we celebrated the achievements of our year group at our termly presentation assembly. This was a lovely occasion and the whole year were congratulated by Mrs Kennedy for their achievements and behaviour throughout. I particularly enjoyed the performances. Scarlett and Holly talked about their cheerleading and ballroom dancing competitions, Tori sang 'A Million Dreams' from The Greatest Showman, Lucie played 'City of Stars' from La La Land on the piano and Georgia played 'The Hall of the Mountain King' on the piano. The performances were all outstanding; it takes great courage and determination to stand up in front of your peers to perform. The girls were a real credit to year 7.

Attendance in year 7 is fantastic for the majority of the year group, at 97%. I am very grateful to parents for supporting us in ensuring that your daughter attends regularly and this good attendance really does make an important difference to their progress. I ask you continue to encourage your daughter to come in to school unless she is really unwell. Often the distraction of school helps the girls to feel better and it is excellent preparation for adult life when they may not be able to take time off so easily. We do monitor any student whose attendance falls below 95% very carefully, often it is due to authorised sickness but we all need to work together to ensure that where possible students come into school. Many girls have 100% attendance which is excellent and should be commended.

Please remember you are welcome to contact the year 7 team via email ([year7team@holt.wokingham.sch.uk](mailto:year7team@holt.wokingham.sch.uk)) or by phone if you have any concerns with your daughter's progress or wellbeing.

I wish you all a lovely Easter and look forward to seeing the girls on **Monday 16th April at 8:40am**.

Yours sincerely



Mrs Thomas  
Head of Year 7