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Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you and your families have settled back into term-time routines after a restful holiday. It has been great to welcome everyone back to BSCS as we begin the new term. As always, we look forward to working in partnership with you to support our students' learning and wellbeing and I am writing with a reminder about uniform and lockers.

Uniform
Whilst most students get this right every day, it seems that a reminder might be helpful for a small number of students.

- Black trousers in line with the uniform guidance document. **Leggings and jogging bottoms of any kind are not allowed;** *or*
  black pleated skirt in line with the uniform guidance document; *or*
  plain black Bermuda-style shorts in line with the uniform guidance document. Shorts can be worn all year round and must not be rolled up on the waist or leg or altered in any way from their original style. **Cycling/tight-fitting/lycra shorts are not allowed.**
- Polo shirt with BSCS logo*****.
- Teal sweatshirt with BSCS logo*.

  *available from Monkhouse Schoolwear

If your child has a uniform issue, please contact their Tutor or Head of Year and we will do what we can to support them or will write a note until the issue is resolved. We do have some spare items that we are able to loan out. We appreciate your support in ensuring that students arrive at school dressed correctly.

Lockers
All students are expected to keep their bags and coats in their lockers during the school day. If a student uses a laptop in lessons they can carry their laptop bag with them. If a locker key has been lost or requires replacement, this can be ordered via Arbor. Tutors and Heads of Year are currently checking these are all in place and will be in touch if there is an issue.

Rewards
You may have heard that during this term we are trialling some reward initiatives with Year 8 which we are hoping to roll out to the wider school in Term 4. The rewards include a 'Golden Ticket' and 'Fast Pass'. Golden Tickets are awarded by teachers for excellent effort, behaviour or contributions in class. Tickets awarded that week will go into a prize draw each week with a variety of prizes on offer. Fast Pass takes

into account the progress students make with behaviour and punctuality to lessons; winners are awarded a pass which allows them to go to the front of the lunch queue for one week. We hope these initiatives will provide some reward and inspiration both to students who get it right all the time and to those who make big efforts to improve.

The second initiative is a competition called 'Fast Pass'. Fast Pass takes into account the progress students make with their behaviour and punctuality to lessons; winners are awarded a pass which allows them to go to the front of the lunch queue for one week. We hope these initiatives will provide some reward and recognition to students who get it right all the time and inspiration to those who make big efforts to improve.

Lunch arrangements
We have made some tweaks to the lunch slots for Year 8 and Year 9 in order to reduce the busyness in the dining room. On week A, Year 9 will go into the dining room first and on week B this will be Year 8. Students still have the same length of lunch time but entry to the dining room is staggered. We are aware there were some teething issues at the start of the week; we hope these have been ironed out and I am taking feedback from students to ensure this runs as smoothly as possible.

Thank you for your continued support. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact your child's Tutor or Head of Year.

Kind regards,

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