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Dear Parent/Carer

Firstly, I would like to extend a thank you to all those that attended our Information Evening in October: I do hope this proved useful. For those that were unable to attend on this occasion, please visit our website for a copy of the presentation, located in the Information and Expectations page.

Year 9 is an important year for the students at the Academy as it is the year in which they embark on their GCSE journey. Now that we have started Semester 2 it is a good idea to review the progress data from the last data drop with your son/daughter and start putting together an action plan to nurture, support, challenge and extend them so that they make the best possible progress. As an academy we are always willing to help with this so please don't hesitate to get in touch with either myself or your child's tutor if you need support.

I would like to also take this opportunity to remind you that Year 9 support club is held every Wednesday from 3 – 4pm in the LRC. Please encourage your child to attend as this can be used as an opportunity to secure any gaps in knowledge or to receive support with homework. Teachers and teaching assistants will be on hand to help

Upcoming dates for your diary include the following:

Tuesday 19th December Last day of Autumn term (with an early finish at 13:00)
Thursday 4th January First day of Spring term for students (Week B)

Finally, on the final day of Semester 1, Friday 17th November, we held our celebration assembly to recognise the fabulous things that Year 9 have achieved so far this academic year. Students were rewarded for attendance, positive learning behaviours, academic achievement, and success in extra-curricular activities: it was an absolute pleasure to invite so many students onto the stage to receive prizes and certificates. The ClassCharts system so far shows over 10 thousand reward points have been awarded to Year 9 students, demonstrating that the students are showing resilience in the classroom and dedication to the Academy's core values. If you have not yet received your ClassCharts log in, please get in touch with either myself or Michelle Keane (Pastoral Mentor for Year 9) and we will get it sent out to you.

Many thanks for taking the time to read this letter. I look forward to continuing to work with you as your child's Head of Year. If you have any concerns or queries please do not hesitate to get in touch with me on strachanj@plympton.academy or contact Michelle Keane on keanem@plympton.academy.

Yours faithfully

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Head of Year 8 and 9



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