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# Featherstone High School

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Dear Parents and Carers,

## RE: End of the Half Term

As we end the half term, I am delighted to be able to look back on 8 weeks in which everyone has worked together to achieve some wonderful things. Once again, our students and staff have combined their best efforts to make really strong progress and to also experience some great opportunities.

I am hearing very good things about the commitment and preparation of our exam years in Year 11 and 13. I am also hearing encouraging messages about how quickly our new year groups in Year 7 and Year 12 have settled to their tasks. Years 8, 9 and 10 are also doing well! Everyone is very positive about the culture in the school and that is good news for everyone who comes to work and study here.

This has been a long half term, there has been so much taking place and far too much to list everything in full but some examples of the opportunities that have been available to our students are: Geography fieldtrips to the South Coast; visits to the Wallace collection; a trip to the Tina Turner musical; a visit by a member of the House of Lords, Lord Borwick and then a follow up visit of some of our students to the House of Lords; a drama trip to the Old Vic; the visit of Spark GSK and the visit of the CEO of Frame Store and a visit to our local allotments.

This has also been a half term in which the school won the Oracy Culture Award 2024 and we have also been awarded the Healthy School London Silver Award. Earlier this week, we hosted ten students and their teachers from Daegu, South Korea, and there was the opportunity for some of our students to learn about Korean culture.

What a half term! To stay even more up to date, I do recommend following our Instagram page (@featherstonehigh) where you see photographs and reports of all this and more.

I hope all our students and staff have the chance to take a break over the half term. I hope everyone uses this time well. I strongly recommend some reading, some exercise and some good time spent with family and friends.

We will look forward to seeing everyone back on Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> November.

Yours sincerely,

Nathan Walters  
Headteacher

