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Dear Parents and Carers

I am writing this letter having just watched the second night of our musical production of Fame Jnr. My head is filled with the beat of the wonderfully performed songs and my heart is filled with pride for the fabulous students and staff who created something truly special. To raise the bar after last year's production of Annie was a big ask, but they have taken another step up and really do reflect our vision of 'Thriving Through Excellence.' If you have not got tickets for the final night tonight, I urge you to come along. We still have a few tickets available on the door but they will go quickly.

Alongside the buzz created by the show, we have also been enjoying some challenging inter-house volleyball this week. Some flexible rule adaptations, managed magnificently by our PE team, has meant a huge number of students have entered the court to battle it out for valuable points towards the overall House Tournament. A points surge over recent events from the Blue Falcons means that every point counts in a very closely fought competition.

I would like to take this opportunity to remind Year 11 students to come along to the many revision sessions being offered over the Easter break. A schedule of the revision has been sent out previously but you can access this via our website or via this [link](#). I would like to thank the staff for offering their time to support the students as they head rapidly towards the upcoming exams. A reminder of the exam schedule can also be found [here](#).

After Easter we will be adjusting lesson timings to move lunch to earlier in the day. This allows us to fit in the two exam sessions required each day over the Summer term. Students get used to this change very quickly and the catering team are primed ready to provide their service at the new times. Details will be shared with students on the first day back after the break.

Following the Government's recent unfunded offer to teaching unions I suspect that the news over Easter will be filled with possible dates for further strike action. If these are confirmed please be reassured that I will let you know arrangements as soon as we can in the new term.

Finally, please remember that **the Academy is closed to all students tomorrow, Friday 31st March**, for a staff training day. We have a very busy day planned and will be working on updating staff on recent developments and completing work that continues our school improvement actions. **School reopens to all students on Monday 17th April.**

I will end this short letter by wishing you a very enjoyable and restful break and thanking you for your ongoing support. Hopefully the weather will be kind and you will be able to enjoy some time together enjoying the arrival of Spring.

Yours faithfully

Paul Letch
Headteacher