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Dear Parents and Carers

As the final term draws to a close, I wanted to take the opportunity to thank you for your support and positivity. Kings had an extremely positive year, with much affirmation that we are supporting our students both pastorally and academically from external bodies such as Ofsted, as well as the many positive messages we receive from you and your children.

The students have worked hard this year, demonstrating their resilience and determination to 'Believe and Succeed'. As always, we hope their hard work and focus leads to positive outcomes in the Summer, and we look forward to seeing Year 13 students and Year 11 students on Results Day on 14 and 21 August respectively.

We have certainly celebrated the work ethic of all our students in the final term, culminating in Enrichment Week. Congratulations to Lyonesse, who were successful in winning the House Cup – a testament to their dogged drive to obtain as many House Points for positive actions as they could before the year ended. It is especially important that we celebrate beyond academic achievement through the House Championship, with a focus on manners, respect, pride, leadership skills, and kindness.

It is important to take time to say goodbye to the staff who leave us for pastures new. This year, we say goodbye to Mrs Kemp, Mr Caughey, and Miss Rebello. Miss Rebello has been teaching at Kings for thirty years and has been central to the success of the Languages Faculty for many generations. I am sure many of you reading this letter will remember her fondly from your days at school and will join me in wishing her well. We thank them all for their service to our students and wish them all the best in the next stage of their journey.

Looking ahead to the next academic year, we have several initiatives around celebration, rewards, student leadership, and house competitions to share with you and the students in September. As we forge ahead in ensuring our students are ready to learn, I ask you to support your child this Summer in ensuring they are fully equipped for learning on return. This will include having a school bag, water bottle, two pens, two pencils, a ruler, eraser, and pencil sharpener, as well as a whiteboard pen and a scientific calculator every day. We thank you in advance for your support.

I will write to you just before the start of term in September, but, as a reminder, I have included some dates for the new academic year:

Tuesday 2 September and Wednesday 3 September – INSET days Thursday 4 September – Year 9 and Year 12 students return Friday 5 September – All year groups return

May I take the opportunity to thank you all for your support over the academic year and wish you all a safe and restful summer.

Yours sincerely

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