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Dear Parents and Carers,

MER “Heads Up” News

A Fortnight of Fantastic Experiences!

As we move through the final half term of the academic year, it’s been a busy and exciting fortnight here at Maiden Erlegh School in Reading. From field trips and work experience to sporting success and transition events, our students have been making the most of every opportunity.

Welcoming Our Future Year 7s

We’ve begun our 1:1 transition sessions with students joining us in September, and it’s been a pleasure to meet so many of them and their families. We’re looking forward to welcoming the full cohort for their **Transition Day on Wednesday 25 June**—a key milestone in helping them feel confident and excited about starting secondary school.

End of Exams – Well Done Year 11!

Huge congratulations to our Year 11 students who have now completed their external exams. Their focus, resilience, and maturity throughout the exam season have been outstanding. We’re incredibly proud of them and hope they enjoy a well-earned rest.

Geography in Action

Both **Year 9 and Year 10** students have been out on field trips recently, applying their classroom learning to real-world environments. These trips are a vital part of the geography curriculum and offer students a chance to develop their investigative and analytical skills in the field.

Year 10 Work Experience

This week, our Year 10 students have been out on **Work Experience**, gaining valuable insights into the world of work. We’ve heard fantastic feedback from employers and students alike, and we’re confident this experience will help shape their future aspirations.

Year 9 Careers Day & Williams Racing Trip

Year 9 students had a packed week, with a **Careers Day** that gave them a chance to explore different pathways and develop key employability skills. They also enjoyed an inspiring visit to **Williams Racing**, where they learned about careers in engineering, technology, and motorsport.

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Athletics Success

We're thrilled to share that two of our students medalled at the **Berkshire Athletics Championships** and have qualified for the **English Schools Championships**—a fantastic achievement! Their dedication and talent are a credit to the school.

Parent Survey Highlights

Thank you to all parents and carers who responded to our recent survey. We're delighted to share some of the key findings:

- **69%** of parents are satisfied with how we engage with them—**up 14%** from last year.
- Strongest areas included **informing parents (77%)**, **parental confidence (76%)**, and **communication methods (73%)**.
- We're especially proud of the **93%** of parents who feel well-informed about their child's attendance.

We're committed to continuing to improve, particularly in areas such as feedback impact and clarity around the Trust's role. Your feedback is invaluable—thank you for helping us grow.

Looking Ahead

We're excited to welcome our new Year 7s for their **Transition Day on 25 June**, and we have more events coming up, including:

- **Year 8 Careers Day – Tuesday 24 June**
- **Year 8 Progress Evening – Thursday 26 June**
- **Year 7 Careers Day – Wednesday 16 July**

As always, thank you for your continued support.

Best wishes



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