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Dear Parents/Carers,

Happy New Year! I hope you all had a fantastic and relaxing break.

The majority of year 7s have made an exceptional start to their second term. I am hoping that we manage to maintain our high standards, continue with our positive work ethic and ultimately enjoy school. I just wanted to share some information with you today.

Year 7 Subject Evening for Parents and Carers

I want to start by saying how lovely it was to see and meet so many year 7 parents / carers on Monday evening. It must have been such a refreshing experience to be able to meet your child's teacher and have those important face-to-face conversations. I hope that you came away from the evening feeling that your child is being supported and measures are in place to ensure they make outstanding progress at NLS.

In some subjects, the number of students taught by each member of staff is significant and appointments may have filled up. Additional appointments have been opened up on SchoolCloud and these will take place online on Monday 24 January. All appointment lengths are 5 minutes, and we would encourage you revisit the attainment and engagement information shared at our first report cycle via Go4Schools and to start with any specific questions to ensure there is sufficient time for these to be answered. If you have any issues or queries with booking appointments then please contact data@northleamington.co.uk.

Parental feedback is valuable to us and we would be grateful if you could also complete our [year 7 parent/carers questionnaire](#), on a range of key topics.

Whitemoor Lake Residential

I am excited to inform you that we will be organising a Year 7 trip to Whitemoor Lakes Adventure Centre in Lichfield, Staffordshire. Outdoor adventure school residential trips are an excellent way to enhance learning and build upon foundations learnt in the classroom. They also allow young people to develop their skillset and try a range of exciting activities, such as kayaking, climbing and problem solving. These activities are led by Whitemoor's own team of qualified instructors.

Our aim is for the students to have fun, learn new skills, become more motivated as individuals, to take part in new and enriching experiences, discover more about themselves and their capabilities and to learn to support value and celebrate each other's success.

Although we have a fantastic cohort of year 7 students, should I have any concerns regarding a student's behaviour either prior to or in the time between signing up to the trip, that student will be withdrawn from the trip and individual parents will be notified accordingly. Any monies paid will be non-refundable unless a suitable replacement can be found and in this instance, a refund will be issued minus any deposit paid.

All that being said, this is a superb opportunity and I am excited to eventually be in a position (now COVID restrictions have been lifted) to lead a residential trip to Whitemoor Lake. More details are available on the school website. Payment will be made via Parent Pay. This is now accessible for all parents / carers if you wish to **pay the deposit by 1st February 2022.**

7BW01

To those parents and carers who have a child in 7BW01, I wanted to make sure you were aware that Mr Sycamore (Subject Leader of Computer Science) has stepped in for Mrs Donnellan temporarily. If you need to contact Mr Sycamore, please use the email below:

ssycamore@northleamington.co.uk

I hope you all have a great weekend.

Mr Royle

