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Head Teacher's Weekly Update

Dear Families,

Remembrance Day



On Monday, the whole school community marked Remembrance Day with a two minute silence. Pupils from our school that are members of the air, army and sea cadets shared a reflection with everyone as we joined together in prayer. It was lovely to hear from so many of our pupils that are members of the different cadet units.

Year 11 Prom Shop

We are excited to launch our first ever Prom Shop!

We know that attending a School Prom is a rite of passage for many of our pupils and is always a highlight of the year. However, we are aware of the demands that this can place on families. In an effort to support families and ensure everyone feels confident and able to take part, we are setting up a 'Prom Shop' which will provide affordable dresses, suits and accessories for pupils.



In order to stock our shop, we are appealing to our school and wider community for donations of nearly new or gently used items. More information can be found in the letter linked here: [Prom Shop Letter](#)

If you are having a pre or post Christmas clear out, any donations would be greatly received and can be dropped off at our main school reception.

Sixth Form Open Evening

We're excited to host our Sixth Form Open Evening 6-8pm on Thursday the 21st of November. Please join us to learn more about our fabulous Sixth Form, our curriculum and to meet pupil and staff representatives from the Sixth Form Team. This is a key event for all pupils in Year 11 considering their options and future study after this year.



Saint Hilda's Feast Day



On Sunday the 17th of November we celebrate the feast day of Saint Hilda; one of our house Saints. Pupils were treated to green desserts and members of staff wore green to mark the occasion. Hilda lived during a time of incredible religious and political change in Britain. Hilda's strength and wisdom was known throughout the country and her opinions were sought out by Kings and other powerful figures. Perhaps the most infamous legends about Saint Hilda was the tale that she was responsible for freeing Whitby from a plague of snakes by throwing them from the Abbey cliffs!

Finally, I wish to share with you all, our Hilda House prayer:

*Gracious God,
Help us to follow St Hilda's example
of steadfast love and openness to change
So that we may bring harmony and hope to those around us.
Amen*

If you have any queries or your child requires any support, please do not hesitate to get in touch with our Heads of House:

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Best Wishes,

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