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Dear Parents/Carers,

House Identity Badges

Following the successful introduction of our new Heads of House and their individual house values and identities in January, we would like to further strengthen the House identity by the introduction of house badges for all students in Years 7 to 10. Today each student has been provided with a pin badge for their lapel on their blazer. It is a compulsory part of each student's uniform and therefore students will be required to wear house badges at all times on their blazers.

The initial badge has been provided free of charge but after this replacements will be available from Student Support reception for £1. I would strongly recommend removing the badge prior to washing as this is likely to reduce damage and ensure the badge lasts longer.

We are also planning to decorate open areas of the school with house banners in the future and develop various types of competitions between houses. We very much value students input and so any suggestions would be gratefully received regarding house designs and the type of inter-house competitions they would like to be involved in.

Can I take this opportunity to thank you for your continued support with your child's uniform as we are immensely proud of how smart our students look at all times.

Yours sincerely,

Miss J Scattergood
Deputy Headteacher

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