

Year 7 Parent Notes

Year 7 have been working in their tutor sessions on building their resilience through the 'Smart Moves Programme'. Smart Moves equips young people with a range of 'smart moves' they can make when things get tough. This increases the protective factors in their lives and helps them to thrive when difficult situations arise. The students all have their own Smart Moves book and there are individual activities and tasks for them to complete. Tutors have also been running activities with the whole tutor group such as 'Problem Solving', 'Organisation' and 'Friendship' to promote discussion and coping strategies.

Year 7 Inter-House took place this week with the boys taking on each other at dodgeball and the girls at dance. Some of the teams had less numbers than they should due to students not turning up. This can have a huge impact on the overall performance of the team and their ability to win the Inter-House as points are awarded for the number of participants as well as performance.

If your son/daughter signs up to take part in the Inter-House events please encourage them to attend and represent their House.

The results for the Inter-House were:

Girls Dance	Boys Dodgeball
1 st = Foyles	1 st = Detillens
2 nd = Detillens	2 nd = Foyles
3 rd = Tenchleys	3 rd = Tenchleys
4 th = Grants	4 th = Grants
5 th = Stocketts	5 th = Stocketts

Please continue to promote good habits when it comes to homework. Completing tasks set to a good standard and handing work in on time is vital to making progress in lessons. Students also need to ensure they are equipped for every lesson. Alongside the basic equipment of pen, pencil, eraser and ruler students should ensure they have the correct books for every lesson and PE kit or items for Food Technology where appropriate. Please encourage students to be organised and plan for each day.

Have a good week.

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