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Dear Parents/Carers,

As another productive Autumn term draws to a close, we wish to share with you some highlights of the academic year to date and also give you some updates.

### **Sporting Successes**

What a term it has been for our school and we have had some amazing successes particularly linked to football. Whilst our Year 7 and 8/9 girls football lost in the final of the local cup, our Year 10/11 girls football team won in the final. Our Years 8, 10 and 11 boys football teams won in their final and the next round will be in the new year. We have also had some successes with our Years 7, 8 and 9 netball teams in local tournaments. The PE Department has also started its Talent Academy with Year 9 and one of our highlights was when our student leaders were coached themselves and then led a wheelchair basketball session for local primaries. Well done to all of our students who have demonstrated their skills and have been such excellent ambassadors for our school. We are proud of the sporting opportunities we offer our students – a reminder that we offer netball and football after school on Tuesday; girls' football and cricket after school on Wednesdays (we have external coaches for these sessions) and badminton after school on a Thursday. Now that we have reverted to a single lunch, we look forward to sharing more sporting lunchtime opportunities with you. When we share successes and opportunities such as these, after such a fantastic Open Evening, it is no wonder that we are an oversubscribed school.

#### **Showcase Success**

On Thursday, 8<sup>th</sup> December we held our first Christmas Performing Arts showcase since the pandemic. Thank you to all of the parents/carers who supported us and what an excellent evening it was! What made us particularly proud was how many students were involved, the talent they demonstrated and how incredibly happy they looked on stage. Well done to all of them! As ever, we wish to say a huge thank you to their teachers: Mrs Lockton, Mrs Promosso, Mrs Quail and Mrs Hussey who have devoted so many hours to ensure the high quality of the production. We look forward to our next showcase. Many of our cast also joined their teachers to watch "The Wizard of Oz" at Curve, Leicester to gain even more ideas for the future.

#### **Trial Examinations**

Our students are committed to their learning and we are proud of our Year 11 who have worked so hard for their recent Trial Examinations. They will receive their results in January after robust moderation processes. Please don't forget that we will be holding our Big Revise evening on the 19<sup>th</sup> January – SLT will be serving pizza to Year 11.















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## Looking After Other People and the Last Day of Term

Our students are also incredibly caring and we raised over £2000.00 this term. This breaks down to £515.00 for Young Minds Charity, £631.00 for Movember, £660.00 for Children in Need and over £300 for the Poppy Appeal.

This week, we will be delivering our Reverse Advent Hampers to Soar Valley Food Project; thank you so much for your generosity. On the last day of term, students may wear a Christmas jumper/ non-uniform in exchange for a donation (ideally £1) to Save the Children. Please find attached our non-uniform guidance <a href="here">here</a>. The final morning will comprise Celebration assemblies and then we will finish at midday.

## **Site Updates**

As you are no doubt aware, our new English and Maths Block is finally open! We are so proud of our new facilities and both staff and students are so enjoying their lessons in the new block.















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Over the Christmas break, we will also continue with our refurbishment of Orchard Block.

# Personal Development (PD)

In line with all Lionheart schools, we have made changes to our PD curriculum. All students now receive a dedicated PD lesson which rolls through the week and is delivered by tutors: the feedback has been very positive. In light of continuing national concerns about sexual harassment and abuse, we ensure that our students receive extensive support and guidance. All Lionheart students and staff have been asked to complete an online survey about these issues to ensure the safety of our community. Once again, we would like to take the opportunity to highlight our" Stop Boxes" and our email address:

<u>Stop@HumphreyPerkins.org.uk</u>. Our priority is for all students to feel safe and secure at Humphrey Perkins and, if they do not feel so, they must be able to access help immediately.

### **Return to School**

Finally, we wish you and your families a safe and relaxing holiday. All students will return to school on Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> January. Please continue to follow our adventures on social media.

Yours sincerely

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