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Dear parents and carers

Welcome back to term 3, I hope you all had a break over the Christmas period and were able to enjoy some family time. As we begin term 3, I would like to take this opportunity to send some reminders to you all.

Firstly, **attendance is crucial**, pupils who attend school regularly achieve better outcomes than those who do not. Regular attendance also helps pupils prepare for working life and teaches them the value of attendance and punctuality. There are far too many pupils whose attendance is less than 80%, meaning they have had a fifth of the academic year so far off school, this equates to one day every week. Please make every effort to support your child to attend school regularly and on time, wearing the correct uniform.

Uniform is causing issues at school for some pupils who are refusing to wear the correct uniform – black below the waist, a school polo shirt and a school jumper. Pupils are not permitted to wear non-school uniform tops, over or beneath their school jumpers. If they choose to wear one to school, it must be handed in to their form tutor, on arrival. All pupils may wear a coat between lessons, however, this must be removed during lessons. This is reasonable and does not require pupils to wear formal school uniform including shirts, ties and blazers, it also makes it much more affordable for you. I therefore, politely request, that you support us, in **ensuring your child comes in school in full school uniform**. Should your child not wear school uniform, they will be expected to return home to change and then return to school.

I am delighted that so many pupils are learning and making progress in lessons. It is lovely to hear from so many of you that being at The Rowans has been life changing for your child and for you as a family. There are a small minority of pupils who are disturbing the learning of others and not upholding our school values, this is disappointing and I will be speaking to all these pupils 1:1 and making contact with parents/carers so we can address this.

Finally, a reminder that there is a **staff training day on Monday 20th January** and the school will be closed to all pupils.

Kind regards

Mrs May
Headteacher



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