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End of Term Letter 23/10/24

Dear Families,

As we approach the half-term break, we want to take a moment to express our gratitude for your continued support and partnership. It's clear that your dedication to instilling the value of education and good habits like punctuality and regular attendance is having a positive impact on our students. We are proud to share that our attendance and punctuality rates remain consistently above the national average—a reflection of the strong collaboration between home and school.

It is equally important that our students feel supported in every aspect of their lives here at King Edward VI Handsworth Wood Girls' Academy. Our pastoral team is committed to providing holistic care, ensuring that each student receives the emotional and mental support needed to focus and succeed in their learning. We believe that this wrap-around support is vital for them to feel confident, empowered, and ready to achieve their best.

We have recently hosted a fantastic **open evening for Year 7**, where our students showed tremendous confidence and resilience when voicing what it means to be a pupil at our academy. We value our students' voices and continue to nurture them to be respectful, impactful, and purposeful. Seeing our students share their experiences with such poise and passion is a true testament to the nurturing environment we strive to create every day.

Please also note that **Thursday, 24th, and Friday, 25th October are staff training days**, so students will not be in school on these days. We hope you enjoy a well-deserved rest over the extended break.

After the half-term, we are excited to launch our **Chai and Chat events**. These informal gatherings will give you the chance to pop in, chat with us, and explore the school at your own pace. We will have refreshments available, and we hope these events help us continue building the strong relationships we cherish with all of you. You are a vital part of our school community, and we are committed to nurturing these bonds.

Headteacher Miss K Takhar, LLB

As always, we kindly remind families to be mindful of safe parking outside the school, particularly as young children use the roads to cross before and after school. Let's continue working together to ensure everyone's safety.

We wish you all a restful and enjoyable half-term break, and let's hope for mild weather!

Best regards,

HWGA Senior Leadership Team

Headteacher Miss K Takhar, LLB