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Dear Parent/Carer,

HEAD TEACHER UPDATE

It has been a lively start to session 2022-23 at Eastbank Academy. As the fourth week of term draws to a close, I write with some useful updates on life at our school.

1. New First Year

Our S1 pupils have settled in incredibly well and have made a great start to life at Eastbank Academy. All S1 pupils should remain in the school grounds at lunchtime – we will review this arrangement in due course. There will be an S1 parents' evening on Wednesday 12 October and I look forward to meeting everybody then.

2. Time-keeping

A small number of young people are continuing to arrive late for school in the morning. I know from personal experience the challenges that families can face in the morning. However, it is important that young people arrive at school in good time, and are ready to move to class when the bell rings. Late arrival, even of a few minutes, results in lost learning and disrupts the flow of lessons. We are continuing to run reflection sessions at lunchtime for those pupils who arrive late. Please support us by ensuring your sons/daughters arrive on time for school.

3. Christmas Fayre

We are excited to be holding a Christmas Fayre on 12 November this year. If you are a business owner or know someone who is and would be interested in having a stall on the day, donating a gift to the raffle or interested in sponsoring our Christmas Fayre could you please contact Ms McLaughlin on gw10mclaughlinelaine@glow.ea.glasgow.sch.uk for further information. After over 2 years of COVID, this is a splendid opportunity for our local community to become involved with the school.

4. Target setting and tracking

Our S4, S5, and S6 pupils have undertaken a process of setting target grades for each subject over the past fortnight. Our S3 pupils have just begun their target setting exercise. S4-S6 pupils will receive their first tracking report immediately after the September weekend, which will give an indication of pupils' progress against their target grades. S2 and S3 will receive their first report shortly after the October holiday.

We have two weeks until the long weekend which is on Friday 23 and Monday 27 September. I will keep you up to date with developments and events as they arise. I wish everyone a pleasant weekend.

Yours faithfully,

Jonathan Graham
Head Teacher

