



Letter from the Head 31/1/25

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Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope this letter finds you well. As always, it has been a busy and rewarding week at Park House School, with our students engaging in a wide range of activities, both inside and outside the classroom.

A key focus of this week's assemblies, led by Mr. Wicks, was the 80th anniversary of Holocaust Memorial Day. These assemblies provided a reflective and thought-provoking opportunity for our students to consider the importance of remembrance, tolerance, and standing up against discrimination.

In sport, our students have once again demonstrated fantastic teamwork, determination, and resilience. The Year 10 boys' football team had an outstanding week, securing a 2-0 win against St Barts and an emphatic 5-0 victory over Mary Hare School. The Year 8 boys' football team narrowly missed out against St Barts, showing great effort and commitment throughout the match. Meanwhile, our Year 8 boys' 'B and C' teams had a brilliant time competing in a tournament at Trinity School, gaining valuable match experience and more importantly enjoying the occasion.

On Monday, our final dry slope skiing session went ahead despite wet and windy conditions, with students showing remarkable perseverance and enthusiasm that will bode them well once they reach the slopes of Italy!

Netball was also a major highlight this week. On Tuesday our Year 7 teams were in action with the 'A's winning against St Gabs but losing out against St Barts, the B team lost both games but will have benefited enormously from the experience. On Wednesday, our Year 11 netball team secured a fantastic victory against Willink but fell just short against St Barts in a closely contested match.

Thursday evening saw our Year 10 Parents' Evening, which was a positive and productive event. It was fantastic to see so many families engaging in meaningful conversations with teachers about students' progress, achievements, and next steps. These discussions are invaluable in ensuring our students continue to thrive, and we appreciate the strong partnership between school and home in supporting their success.

To round off the week, on Friday evening, a group of Year 10 and 11 students had a fantastic time at the theatre, watching *An Inspector Calls*. This was a great opportunity for them to engage with the play in a live setting, bringing their studies to life in a memorable and engaging way.

Looking ahead, we are incredibly excited for next week's performances of *Matilda*. This weekend, the cast and production crew will be putting in their final rehearsals, and we wish them, and of course, Mr. Sutton, Mrs Cooper and Ms Mawazini the very best of luck as they prepare for what promises to be a spectacular show. Their hard work and dedication have been truly impressive, and we can't wait to see it all come together on stage.

Finally, I want to extend my thanks to all students and staff for their hard work and dedication this week. Whether on the sports field, the slopes, the stage, or in the classroom, it has been inspiring to see their commitment and enthusiasm in everything they do.

Wishing you all a wonderful weekend (Fingers crossed for an England win on Saturday!).

Yours sincerely,

Headteacher