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Dear Parent(s),

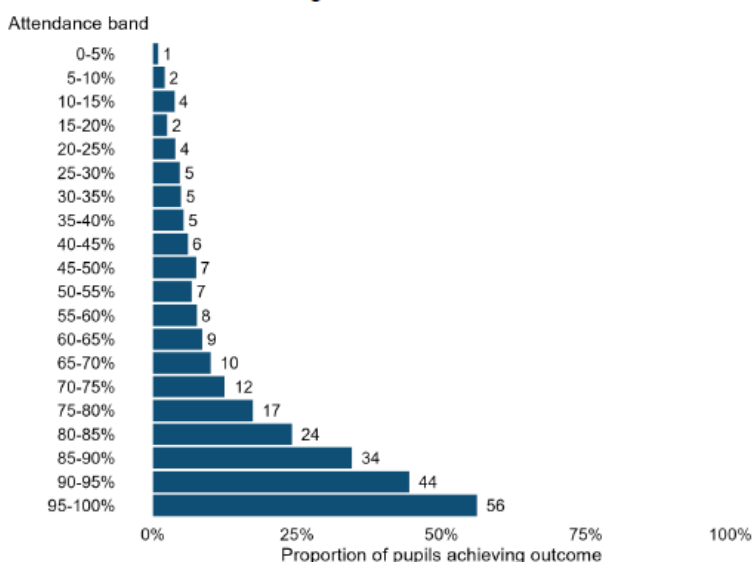
Re: Welcome Back!

Welcome back! I would like to start by congratulating our new Year 7 students on a fantastic start. They have been absolutely brilliant and have worked brilliantly as a team to support each other and make sure no one got too lost!. I have had lots of glowing feedback from staff saying how impressive their Year 7 classes have been so I hope the students (and parents) feel really proud of what they have achieved over the last two days.

As always, it has been an incredibly busy summer for us but I'm delighted to say that we have made significant progress in a number of areas. The Year 11 exam results were excellent. Having made significant gains last year, further improving on those results this year is a remarkable achievement. There was a fantastic, celebratory atmosphere on results day so I would like to thank all the students, staff and parents that made that day possible. We now of course turn our attention to our current Year 11.

Two things have come through very clearly from our exam results analysis. Firstly, departmental interventions and support sessions significantly boost student progress; we strongly encourage students to make the most of these opportunities once available. Secondly, attendance really matters. There is a very steep decline in attainment for those students with less than 90% attendance. This is true for all year groups, if you are facing any barriers to regular attendance, please contact your Head of Year so we can support you as we want to ensure every student achieves their full potential and reaches their preferred next step.

Figure 6 Proportion of pupils in each 5% attendance band for Year 11 achieving Grade 5 or above in English and Maths GCSE at the end of KS4

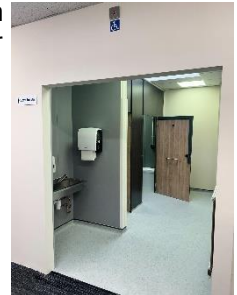


Improvements to our Facilities:

We are pleased to announce the successful resurfacing of the sports hall, representing a significant improvement to our sports facilities. We will now focus on painting the walls during the course of the academic year.



Great news! We have refurbished the boys' toilets in the maths corridor and added an accessible toilet, as part of our ongoing work to ensure our facilities are fully inclusive for everyone.



Solar panels have now been fitted to the science and art department roofs, supporting our commitment to sustainability by cutting energy costs and reducing our carbon footprint.



I would like to thank The Corvus Learning Trust for their investment and making these improvements possible.

To continue with improving the school we are having a 'Make a Difference Day' on **Saturday 17th October** between **9:00am and 12:00pm**. If you are able to come along and help with painting in the buildings, please email pta@sandhurstschool.org.uk, we would be greatly appreciative.

To help you plan ahead, please take a moment to review our school calendar. It includes key dates for information evenings, photographs and holidays. You can find the calendar on our website [here](#).

There has been a great atmosphere in school over the last few days and I am looking forward to seeing what we can achieve together this academic year.

Yours sincerely,

Mr G Croxon
Headteacher