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Principal

Dear Parents and Carers

Congratulations to all our amazing Student Leaders who have been representing the College this week at a number of events. Prospective student tours, hosting external visitors to the College and most recently, when we hosted our termly visit by the Trust with Mr Nat Parnell, Deputy CEO, Naveed Khan, Director of Education and members of the governance. The students were given time to share their own experiences and how the College could make further improvements to support their learning.

It was encouraging to hear how enthusiastic the students were about developing My Sentence which is an initiative where every student crafts a single, powerful sentence that captures their legacy and aspirations. This serves as a personal compass, helping students make meaningful choices throughout their educational journey at Ivybridge Community College and beyond. I was particularly impressed by the enthusiasm and commitment that they shared with Mr Parnell in wanting to develop this initiative across the College with all students and staff, embracing the College's values as part of our PSHE and Character Education work.

Open Mornings for Year 5 Students

On Tuesday, 24 and Wednesday, 25 June 2025, we will be opening our doors to prospective Year 5 students and family members. We have received an overwhelming number of families signing up for this event. Current parents/carers with younger children in Year 5 are strongly recommended to attend our Open Morning to experience, first-hand all the current developments that are taking place at the College. Please sign up here via ticketsource.co.uk. If you are a current parent/carer who would like the opportunity to join this event to experience the vibrant learning of our College, visit classrooms and see teaching in action, please sign up by following this [link](#). If availability permits, we will write to you with confirmation.

Parent/Carer Hub Update

We would like to warmly invite all parents and carers to join us at the next Parent/Carer Hub meeting on Thursday, 3 July 2025 (5 – 6pm) for an open discussion about the potential benefits of working towards becoming a smartphone-free College. This will be a valuable opportunity to allow you to share thoughts, ask questions and explore how reducing smartphone use in our College community could support student wellbeing, focus and learning. We look forward to hearing your views on this important topic. Please confirm your attendance and share your ideas via the provided link. [Parent Carer Hub Attendance](#)

As we approach the final week of Year 11 and 13 examinations, I wish all students the very best of luck and congratulate them on a successful examination season. We look forward to celebrating over the coming weeks.

Yours faithfully

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