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Dear Parent/Carer,

I hope you and your family are well. As we approach the end of the half term, I would like share with you a few of our many achievements

Over this half-term, all students have been working hard and many have engaged with enrichment activities beyond the timetabled curriculum. In particular, I want to pay tribute to our Year 11 students who have demonstrated both positivity and resilience when completing their first two weeks of GCSE examinations.

This half term, a number of Year 10 students completed their practice expedition for the Duke of Edinburgh Silver Award, luckily their efforts were rewarded with a dry weekend. Our Year 10 Sports Studies students also experienced an Outdoor Adventure Day in the Lake District. This was a great opportunity for our students to develop new skills and to work together as they completed activities such as kayaking and hill walking. We have also continued to welcome many students from local primary schools to Sharples to access a variety of learning opportunities, such as STEM workshops.

We are already planning our end of year awards events for next half term, and I am looking forward to celebrating the endeavours of our students through our annual Academic Achievement Assemblies. As always, I would encourage you to read our weekly newsletter and follow us on Twitter to keep up to date with our school events and successes.

On a final note, we have high standards in relation to appearance at Sharples that we expect all students to adhere to. The full Uniform Policy and details of our expectations linked to shoes, jewellery, hair and make-up can be accessed on the school website <http://www.sharplesschool.co.uk/policies/>. Your child should also wear their Sharples lanyard every day as this is an integral part of our school uniform.

We finish school for the half term break at 3.05pm on Friday, 26 May and I hope that all students have a safe, enjoyable and restful break. **We look forward to welcoming our students back to school on Monday, 5 June with a prompt start to registration at 8.45am.**

Thank you for your continued support of our school, it is greatly appreciated.

Yours sincerely

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