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Dear Parents and Carers

Thank you for your support in helping our students make such a positive return to school. It has been wonderful to see them settling back into their routines, engaging well in lessons and beginning the new school year with enthusiasm.

Although attendance has been positive overall, we saw a drop of approximately 3% last Friday. Every day in school matters, and even a short period of absence can have a significant impact on learning, progress and confidence.

If your child is well enough to attend but is having a difficult morning, please bring them into school late rather than keeping them at home for the whole day. Our staff will welcome them, help them settle and provide the support they need. By working together, we can help students build resilience, maintain positive routines and avoid falling behind in their learning.

Thank you again for your continued support and partnership. If there are any circumstances affecting your child's attendance, please contact the school so that we can work with you to help.

Yours faithfully

Ms E O'Connor
Headteacher