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Dear Parents and Guardians,

I hope this letter finds you well. As we move further into the spring term, I would like to take a moment to reflect on the importance of consistent school attendance and to thank you for your continued support in ensuring your child's education remains a priority.

This is a crucial time of year for all our students, with important milestones and key events ahead. For Year 11 students, the upcoming exams are fast approaching, and for Year 10, controlled assessments are underway in many subjects. These assessments play a significant role in shaping their future grades and success. Year 9 students will also be making important decisions regarding their options, which will set the path for the next stage of their academic journey. In some Year 9 subjects our students are making the transition into GCSE learning, which requires their full engagement and focus.

Missing school, even for a day or two, can cause students to miss valuable learning opportunities. As the academic year progresses, lessons build on one another, and gaps in understanding can quickly become harder to fill. By maintaining consistent attendance, students can ensure they are fully prepared for the challenges ahead.

We understand that sometimes there are reasons students cannot attend school. However, we urge you to ensure that absences are kept to a minimum. If there are any concerns or challenges that may impact your child's attendance, please don't hesitate to reach out to us so that we can offer support.

Our attendance team can be contacted via the school contact forms [www.atlantic-aspirations.org/about-us/contact-forms/](http://www.atlantic-aspirations.org/about-us/contact-forms/) or on 01305 820262 if you need help in supporting your child's attendance or have other questions or concerns that need addressing.

Thank you for supporting us to make sure your child learns, thrives and succeeds.

Yours faithfully

Mr A. Clark

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