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14<sup>th</sup> February 2020

Dear Parents

## End of a long short half-term

We have hit half-term! I am writing to you with a few wee bits of update, a red-letter item for your calendar and some information.

To start with the calendar item first, please note **21<sup>st</sup> March 2020**, which is our Spring Open Day. As you know, your children are expected to come in as they are the stars of the day; during the Open Day we are not promoting the cool buildings or the stunning grounds, or even the unusual Headmaster, but rather the fantastic young men and women which our boys and girls become, and it is your children that prospective parents want to meet and that I want to showcase.

In the first week back Mrs Kirk and Mrs Willmott will write, as appropriate, with more details on the day, but for now please make sure that you have freed that day up for the Open Morning.

Also, by the time you get this letter, Mrs Kirk will have pulled the large trigger that we have installed in her office which controls Firefly. This will allow parents to have access to the shared teaching areas. This is very exciting and is one of the things that led us to bring Firefly in as our online platform. When you next log-on have a look – you will love it. The first release will be for the Senior School and the Junior School will follow soon, after half-term.

Finally, you'll be interested to know that our first refit of the Library is nearing completion as Mrs Kirk and Mrs King, with their team of Year 7 ~~book-burners~~ helpers (Emily Flowers, Bailey Adkins and George Haynes) have pruned the shelves of redundant stock and freed up space for better presentation of books, new stock and soon-to-be-installed work stations with computers. Exciting times and what is possibly the coolest building in school is about to become 'ice cold'.

Next half-term will have more excitement to come and it is killing me not sharing it with you at this time, but it is important to keep you wanting more.

Have a great half-term and see you on the other side.

Yours sincerely

C G Walker  
Headmaster