



St Benedict's Catholic High School

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2 March 2010

Dear Parents / Guardians

As we are now well into the second term of the SWIFT course I am writing to say how pleased I am with all the comments, both verbal and written, I have received from the college tutors regarding St Benedict's pupils. They really are a credit to the school!

At the beginning of this term the teachers whose subject your child misses on a Friday were asked to comment on their progress and whether they feel they may be slipping behind or need extra help; in addition, how they feel your child may have improved or benefited by being on the SWIFT course. A small number of pupils are not always catching up on missed work as promptly as they could. Obviously, we liaise with the staff concerned very closely and any major problems, such as not catching up, are dealt with straight away; the students know that if they do not cooperate they are ultimately putting their SWIFT course in jeopardy. I would like to stress, however, most pupils are coping very well and getting a great deal out of SWIFT.

Parents' Evening

May I take this opportunity to remind you that there is a Stratford College parents' evening on Monday 19 April. Unfortunately, this clashes with an evening event we are planning at school about the International Baccalaureate and the new 6th form in general; as this is likely to be of interest to Year 10 students Stratford College appointments need to be early if possible. I have spoken to the college and made them aware of this fact. The Warwickshire College parents' evenings are being held in the middle of May and you will be advised in due course by the college.

Absence

May I remind you that if your son/daughter is ill or has to miss college for any reason, it is essential that you phone *both the college and school*. We have to chase up absenteeism if no contact is been made by parents.

SWIFT Contributions

I would like to thank all parents who have already sent in contributions towards funding SWIFT courses. Without these contributions we could not afford to run SWIFT. If you have not yet made your contribution for the spring term please could this be sent into school as soon as possible – see below for details.

We appreciate some families are unable to make a contribution – should this be the case please notify Mr Nallen or myself to let us know.



As always, please feel free to contact me or Mrs McCaslin at anytime at school should you have any queries or concerns about your child and their SWIFT course.

Yours sincerely



Natalie McLeod
SWIFT Co-ordinator

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To be returned to Mrs McCaslin in Room 12 as soon as possible

RE: YEAR 10 SWIFT Contribution

Name of pupil: _____ Form: _____

PLEASE COULD YOU INDICATE IF YOU HAVE PAID OR WILL BE PAYING BY PARENTPAY

- I have paid in full the voluntary contribution of £150
- I have paid £50 for last term and I am enclosing/paying by Parentpay £50 as this term's contribution
- I wish to pay £100 for the rest of the year
- I have notified Mr Nallen as I am unable to make a voluntary contribution at present

Signed _____ Parent/Guardian Date _____