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Dear Parents and Carers,

Re: End of Half Term Message from Mrs Crawford – October 2026

As we come to the end of our first half term, I wanted to take a moment to reflect on what has been a truly fantastic start to the academic year at Hungerhill School. There is so much to celebrate, and I am incredibly proud of everything our students and staff have achieved over these first few weeks.

Celebrating Our Full Academy Review

One of the real highlights of this half term has been our highly successful Full Academy Review, during which we welcomed a team of visitors into school to gain an insight into the fantastic work taking place across Hungerhill. It provided a wonderful opportunity to showcase the very best of Hungerhill and recognise the fantastic work taking place across our school every single day.

One of the most pleasing aspects of the review was the recognition of the exceptional relationships between our staff and students. These positive, respectful and supportive relationships are at the heart of our school community and create an environment where young people feel valued, encouraged and inspired to succeed.

The review team was also particularly impressed by the wonderful manners, politeness and respect demonstrated by our students throughout their visit. It was fantastic to hear such positive feedback about the way our young people conduct themselves, interact with others and represent our school. These qualities are so important to us at Hungerhill, and we could not be prouder of our students for making such a positive impression. They really are a credit to themselves, their families and our school community.

The review also highlighted the excellent learning opportunities our students experience, reflecting the commitment, expertise and dedication of our staff. It was wonderful to have the quality of education and the positive experiences of our young people recognised in this way.

Enrichment – A Fantastic New Addition to School Life!

This half term has also seen the exciting introduction of our new enrichment programme, which is now embedded within the curriculum every Wednesday during Period 5.

What a fantastic addition this has been!



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It has been brilliant to see our students enthusiastically embracing opportunities to try something new, develop different skills, explore their interests and discover talents they may not have known they had.

We firmly believe that education is about so much more than academic achievement alone. Our enrichment programme reflects our commitment to providing a broad, balanced and exciting educational experience, helping our young people to grow in confidence, develop character and make the most of every opportunity.

The enthusiasm from both students and staff has been infectious, and we are looking forward to building on this excellent start as the year progresses.

A Huge Well Done to Our Year 11 Students!

I would also like to give a very special mention to our fantastic Year 11 students, who have tackled their first set of Year 11 high-stakes assessments brilliantly this half term.

We know that Year 11 is an important year, and these assessments represent a significant milestone in their GCSE journey. We have been incredibly impressed by the maturity, determination and positive attitude our students have demonstrated throughout. Their hard work, resilience and commitment to doing their very best have been wonderful to see.

We are extremely proud of each and every one of them! They have made a fantastic start to this important year, and we look forward to supporting and celebrating their continued progress and success over the coming months.

For now, they should enjoy a thoroughly well-deserved half-term break!

Important Dates and INSET Day Reminders

As we head into the half-term break, please can I remind families of the following important dates:

- Thursday 22nd October and Friday 23rd October – INSET days. Students are not expected to attend school.
- Monday 2nd November – School reopens to all students.
- Friday 6th November – Additional INSET day. Students are not expected to attend school.

An Exciting Adventure to Geneva!

A special mention must go to our students and staff who are heading off to Geneva during the half-term break.

We wish you all an absolutely amazing time! This is a fantastic opportunity to experience new places, broaden horizons and make memories that will last a lifetime. We hope you enjoy every moment of your adventure, and we cannot wait to hear all about it when you return.

Thank You and Have a Wonderful Half Term!

As always, I would like to express my sincere thanks to our wonderful staff for everything they do for our young people, to our students for their hard work and enthusiasm, and to you, our parents and carers, for your ongoing support.



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The success of our Full Academy Review, the fantastic launch of our enrichment programme and the positive start our students have made are all reasons to feel incredibly optimistic about the year ahead.

Hungerhill is a special community, and it is a privilege to see our young people thriving, developing and making the most of the opportunities available to them.

For now, I hope everyone enjoys a well-earned break, with time to relax, recharge and spend time with family and friends.

Have a wonderful, happy and restful half term, and we look forward to welcoming everyone back on Monday 2nd November!

Warmest wishes



Mrs K Crawford

Headteacher



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