



16th February 2022

Dear Parents and Carers

Miss Marmion and the option of wearing something pink on Friday 18th February

The school has spent the last day or so working through the sad news about Miss Marmion which I have talked about in a separate letter. Some students have chosen to bring flowers in which have been placed outside her office whilst others have been working with staff in different ways. We will have some books of condolence for students and other members of our community to complete after half term which we will then pass onto her family.

A group of students from Year 11 have asked if they could wear something pink as part of their uniform on Friday in memory as this was Miss Marmion's colour of choice. Some staff are going to join them in this as we feel it is a lovely thing to do. If others wish to do the same then that would be really appropriate; however this is to be as part of their normal uniform, not instead of it. I am aware Friday is relatively soon and if students cannot source items then that is absolutely fine. There will be other opportunities to take part in events to remember Miss Marmion after half term.

INSET Day - Monday 28th February

A reminder that Monday 28th February is an INSET day where staff will be in school working on a variety of aspects of school life. Students will therefore **return to school on Tuesday 1st March.**

Uniform – Advance notice with a chance for action over half term

In our expectation assemblies which will take place when we return after half term we will be talking about the need to have correct uniform in place. Can I ask all families to check this during the break and make sure their uniform is up to date. The following link on our website will help clarify our requirements www.chewvalleyschool.co.uk/schooluniform

The period since Christmas has been really busy at Chew Valley School. It has been wonderful to see the students both at work in lessons and taking part in our activities at lunchtime and after school. We are looking forward to our whole school production which is taking place during our first week back followed shortly after by the Dance Festival. Ten Tors and Duke of Edinburgh expeditions are getting ready to take place as the spring begins to take hold. Really important parts of our school are starting to return which is super to see.

I hope everyone has a good half term.

With very best wishes

Gareth Beynon
Headteacher