Headteacher's email to parents

Hello Parents and Carers,

Autumn is very definitely upon us and, as the colder, wetter weather approaches, it is really important that your child brings a coat to school so that we can encourage them outside into the fresh air as much as possible, as long as it isn't raining or snowing.

Our policy says that your child needs to bring a bag/ backpack/ rucksack in which to keep all their equipment safe, clean and dry; please can you make sure your child has such a bag?

We already have a lot of unclaimed lost property. It would help us to get some of these items back to their owners if you could write your child's name (or initials, if there's not much space) on the label of all their uniform and outer clothing.

A gentle reminder about piercings: we only allow one small plain stud in each earlobe.

Our school car park is at capacity at the end of the day with the many different buses we have which take our children home to the various places where they live. We'd like your help to avoid congestion and to keep our children safe. Please can you collect your child from the sports centre. For students, this is accessed just along a short pedestrian path from the school – (if you are not already aware, car access to the sports centre is via Harmire Road into Strathmore Road – DL12 8DS). Once familiar with this collection point, we also ask parents to drop off there on a morning.

The Head Girl and Head Boy selection takes place next week and your child will be able to vote in this process. Please encourage them to take part so that they can have a voice in choosing our student leaders.

As always, if you need our help or advice, please get in touch and we'll be happy to help.

Anna Cleckner Head of School