

Gartree High School

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Dear parent/carer,

January and February seem to be months for hunkering down, staying warm and letting the winter months pass. In some ways this is reflected in school life – everybody is concentrating and everybody has their head down, working hard in their various subjects and activities. Teachers and students are focused on the term ahead and the learning goals they are aiming to achieve.

This week we had Year 7 Parents' Evening and our Year 9 reports went home to parents. The information shared at these times is a culmination of your child's work throughout the term and year. Sometimes it is stamina and commitment that enable a young person to achieve their long term dreams and ambitions. It is worth keeping this in mind through the winter months when the days are short and we arrive at school in the darkness. However, there is a rhythm to the school year and whilst it is snowing outside, we are already planning for Year 6 SATs and end of year exams. Our Year 9 students will shortly be taking science tests before embarking on GCSE study and our Year 6s will have their mock SATs, week beginning 30th January. For parents of Year 6 students we are holding a SATs information evening on Wednesday 25th January. Please do try to attend this event if possible.

If dark mornings and short days do not energise you and this is not your favourite time of year, you will be pleased to hear that I noticed the bulbs in the grounds of Gartree High School peeping through the snowy soil. Spring is on its way and will soon be upon us.

Enjoy your weekend.

Yours sincerely,



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