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Dear Parents and Carers,

I am writing to thank you for your support of the school throughout a busy term during which the students have shown a commendable willingness to learn and participate. Highlights have included today's inaugural 'Most Christmassy Tutor Group' competition; the recent carol concert at the Cathedral; the outstanding performances by our football teams in the English Schools FA Cup; the ever-popular Soham's Got Talent competition and becoming the first school in the country to host the BBC's Green Planet AR Experience.

It has also been a pleasure to see how popular the school's extra-curricular clubs continue to be. More of this term's activities have been recorded in the parents' newsletter and sports newsletter which are attached to this letter.

During the term, we received details of the progress made by our students in the summer's GCSE exams. We had noted how hard the students had worked in preparation for their exams and we were pleased that this hard work was recognised when the Department for Education informed us that the progress made by our students over their time here placed the school in the top 5 schools in Cambridgeshire, Norfolk and Suffolk as well as the top 4% of all schools nationally. This was pleasing further progress from the record results which had been achieved in the previous year and prepared the outgoing students well for their post-16 studies.

Thank you again to parents and carers for your ongoing support of the school. I wish all families a Happy Christmas and look forward to the students returning to school on Wednesday 3 January.

Yours faithfully

Jon Hampson Headteacher

