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Dear Parents and Carers of Y7 students,

Many thanks for your support in ensuring another positive week for Year 7. We have been so impressed with how they have quickly settled into routines and their fantastic behaviour and effort are reflected in their Classcharts scores – a fantastic year group to be proud of. I am especially delighted with the applause and encouragement for each other in today's assembly.

Hitting the 'reset' button

On the first day back after the October half term break, students in all year groups will have a 'reset' assembly in which they are welcomed back to school by the Principal and we refresh our routines and expectations. In addition to this, Year 7 will continue to line up twice each day – first thing in the morning and at the end of their extended lunch break. This gives us a great opportunity to check in with the children, ensure that they are prepared for learning and that our high expectations are being met by all.

Year 7 Book Swap

Thanks to the generosity of our whole school community we have now built up an impressive stock of books for the Year 7 students to borrow, read, rate and return free of charge. This is in addition to our very well stocked school library – the difference being, if children would like to keep one of our book-swap books or pass them on to a friend or family member then they are welcome to do so. Book Swap books will be clearly marked with an insert sticker on the inside cover.

Weather permitting, Book Swap will be on the Head Yard one or two lunchtimes, weekly. We don't want books gathering dust – we want them in the hands, hearts and minds of our children where they make the biggest difference.

Lunchtime skipping challenge

Part of our commitment to physical and mental health is giving the opportunity to exercise, play and laugh together each day. Well done to the 80+ Year 7 students (and a handful of very competitive Year 11 and even staff!) who have come along and taken the jump-rope challenge. Very well done to **George** who held the title for over a week, **Razan** who retains her position on the podium and our new record-holder **Cole**!

Spreading the Positive

Special thanks to this week's Y7 student ambassadors who visited Aston Fence Junior school to speak to Year 6 students about how to 'survive and thrive' in their final year of primary school, and of course about 'Stepping Up' to Aston Academy. They spoke with such confidence and kindness that I feel sure the Year 6 children feel reassured and excited about joining us in September 2025. Feedback from parents and carers is so important to us – please be reminded that you can give this [here](#).

Yours sincerely,

Mr Kilgannon
Assistant Vice Principal



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