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Dear Parents and Carers,
I hope that you and your family are well.

We will be beginning a series of Parent Seminars this term with the first one being:

A Parent's Guide to Study Skills; Learning how to Learn and Revise Effectively

In this seminar we will be sharing:

- current evidence-based approaches to the theory of learning
- practical advice for supporting your children with study skills
- tried and tested techniques for effective revision

The seminar will be on 16th December at 6.30pm. Joining instructions will be shared nearer to the time.

We will be continuing this series after Christmas with forthcoming seminars focussing on the following:

- The Role of Assessment in Education
- Pastoral Care
- Supporting Students with Specific Learning Needs, including English as an Additional Language (EAL) and Gifted and More Able Students (GMAT).

These topics have been chosen based on the feedback from the parental survey, if you have any areas that you would particularly like us to cover as a part of this series, please do let me know.

Two of our Y7 forms visited the Cyprus Museum on Wednesday as part of the History module of Ancient Cypriot History. The students were learning how to investigate the history of Cyprus through artefacts and finding out more about how people lived in ancient times. The students were very excited and curious about all the different tools, weapons, everyday objects and artworks made by people on this very island some thousand years ago.

This week saw the introduction of the new, stricter protocols. As we are managing to check all SafePasses and temperatures daily in line with the Ministry protocols, we will be beginning lessons at 8.20am from Monday. Form time will still run from 8.05 until 8.20am and students should be reminded that they will be marked as late if they arrive in school after 8.10am.

We are very disappointed that the live Talent Show has had to be cancelled following the latest protocols cancelling all school events. We are, however, looking forward to the online version, of which further details will follow. We will, of course, continue to keep you updated.

Stay safe and have a good weekend!

Kind Regards,

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