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Dear Parents and Carers,

Gloriously Sunny

*'There, in the broad, within whose booky house,
Half England's scholars nibble books or browse,*

John Masefield

I gather it is supposed to be gloriously sunny, both tomorrow and on Sunday. What better reason can there be, not to venture to Kensington Palace Gardens or Holland Park? Being active will pay dividends and positively affect the quality of your child's sleep and developmental growth. Please read with your son or daughter as much as possible this weekend. Reading is, there is no denying, the single most important element in any pupil's primary education. The more opportunities there are to discuss a book, to browse or enjoy sharing a story, poem or feature in a quality broadsheet such as the Guardian or National Geographic magazine, the better.

The Passing of Winter

*'The speculating rooks at their nests cawed,
And saw from elm-tops, delicate as flower of grass,
What we below could not see, Winter pass'*

Emily Dickinson

As we embrace the spring, I'd like to thank you again for your unerring trust. These last few days have afforded veritable riches in regard to progress and a certain recalibration after the half term holiday and the many incidentals that have arisen, with pupils from across the school demonstrating such ardent endeavour. Attendance has been an impressive 97.8%.

Ardent Scholars

'Life must be lived forwards'

Soren Kierkegaard

Thomas Jones is the antithesis of myopic, a genuine seat of learning and an institution that is, at its strongest, exacting. Held up as an exemplar in some quarters, it would be all too easy to take for granted what has been established. Going forward, it is our collective responsibility to ensure that every individual achieves. Those who periodically struggle will be supported and the capable challenged to become more accomplished.

Yours sincerely,



DM Sellens