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Dear parents and carers,

Members of staff gathered in school yesterday to mark the end of an era at Weald. Mr Brunt, a member of our DT teaching team and leader of the Duke of Edinburgh Award scheme at Weald, has retired from teaching after a career that has positively impacted so many students and staff. Whilst we will miss him enormously, I am very pleased to say he will not be a total stranger as he has agreed to continue to support the silver D of E assessments, and we hope to be able to tempt him back from time to time for school events. I know you will want us to pass on your thanks and best wishes, and I am sure many of you have lovely stories of his time with us.

Turning now to the future, we are excited to see the progress of the building works at our Tonbridge campus, with the three new classrooms coming on a pace. I would like to thank Mrs Barker-Platt, Miss Webb and the team from Corniche who have managed this project seamlessly for us.

We are also engaging in building works at our Sevenoaks campus over the Easter break, with construction starting on our new sixth form café and common room space, and the fitting out of the study hub. Year 11 students have been working with Mrs Barker-Platt to design the spaces, we are now looking forward to seeing these plans come into reality.

The start of the summer term is a key time for our Year 11 and 13 students, as they enter into the final few weeks before their public examinations start. We are so proud of the way the young people are approaching these critical assessments, and would like to acknowledge their maturity and commitment to learning. I would also like to thank the rest of the school community in advance for their understanding in accommodating the examinations and allowing their peers the quiet and calm environment they need at this time.

All that remains is for me to wish you a restful Easter holiday, do remember students will be dismissed from school from 12pm (and by 12.30pm) tomorrow. We look forward to seeing them all back in April.

Thank you, as always for your continued support.

Yours sincerely,



Mrs E Bone
Headteacher