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Dear Parent/Carer

All-Weather Sports Pitch

We have been particularly excited this week to be able to access the first of the all-weather sports pitches for the new campus. A few photographs have been added to the school twitter feed. Our staff and young people alike have been delighted to make use of the pitch during our PE lessons.

Health and Safety Advice

We have seen a rise in the number of young people reporting minor injuries during sporting activities over the last few weeks due to the wearing of particularly long acrylic nails. I would ask that you are mindful of this and ensure any acrylic nails are of a manageable length to allow young people to fully participate in all areas of the curriculum and avoid any potential risk to safety.

Parent Council AGM

The Parent Council AGM has been re-scheduled to take place on Thursday 18th November at 7.00 pm in the Assembly Hall at Carrick Academy.

As a parent of a child in attendance at Carrick Academy, you are automatically part of what is called the Parent Forum for the school. As a member of the Parent Forum:

- You can ask the school for advice and information on your child's education and how you can support this. This is usually done through contact with your child's Guidance teacher or Year Head.
- You will have the opportunity to come along to Parent Council meetings and to share your ideas in other ways.

On this occasion, I am writing to ask you to consider joining our Parent Council group. The group has made a significant contribution to school improvement over the last few years through close working with the senior management team. The membership within Parent Council groups is regularly refreshed as young people leave school and new S1 pupils join our school community. This is an exciting time for Carrick Academy as we prepare to move to a new school building and a great opportunity for parents to be involved in the planning. We also have vacancies for a few key roles within the group and would welcome any contribution you can make to support the work of the Parent Council. I hope you will consider joining us for the AGM on Thursday 18th November to help us give your child the best education we can provide.

I'm looking forward to getting to know the parents already part of the Parent Council but it would also be lovely to see some new faces too.

Yours sincerely

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