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Dear Parents and Carers,

Equipment

After February half term we will expect all students to carry the same equipment to lessons. We believe that being organised and prepared for lessons is a vital skill that will prepare students for the real world. It also ensures that students have the right equipment to fully engage in learning in the classroom as well as at home in order to complete homework to the very best of their ability. We therefore ask that every child has a pencil case including the following equipment:

- X 2 black biros
- X 2 pencils
- X 1 ruler
- X 1 rubber
- X 1 pencil sharpener
- X 2 highlighters

In addition to this, we will require all students to have their own scientific calculator to bring to lessons. It will also mean that they can complete calculator-based homework tasks at home. We ask that all students purchase the same model since the function buttons of scientific calculators can often be set up in different ways. **This model is Casio FX-85GT CW.** This is also the same model that students will use in their final GCSE exams so it will prepare students for the exam itself through the consistent use of the same type of calculator.

We also have some calculators available to purchase in the library for the cost of £10. These can be purchased with cash from Mrs Dixon directly or via your ParentPay account.

Students will also be expected to replace any stationery immediately if they lose or break anything. They may carry additional stationery, but the items listed above are mandatory. Lack of equipment for lessons will result in sanctions. In the event that equipment is forgotten, form tutors will be able to loan items out for that day, but they must be returned. Students will also be able to purchase equipment using their house points they are awarded in lessons for excellent behaviour and attitude to learning. This can be purchased in the library.

We thank you for your support with this.

Yours faithfully,

Emma Bulmer
Assistant Headteacher