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Dear Parents and Carers,

Despite a very short week last week, we have certainly hit the new term, and new year, running. It has been wonderful to welcome our students back and to see them all settle in so well following the Christmas break. Year 13 have completed their first full week of mock examinations and we have been pleased to see them working hard in preparation. I am conscious that there have been a number of separate letters sent out to you this week about various events and activities taking place at the school. Therefore, I will keep this one uncharacteristically brief. Please remember you can keep up to date on activities and events taking place at the school on our Instagram and Facebook pages: <a href="https://www.instagram.com/northampton\_school\_for\_girls/?hl=en">https://www.instagram.com/northampton\_school\_for\_girls/?hl=en</a> and <a href="https://www.facebook.com/NorthamptonSchoolforGirls/">https://www.facebook.com/NorthamptonSchoolforGirls/</a>

We have been fortunate to recruit a number of excellent new staff in recent months and this term we welcomed Dr Bell to the Senior Leadership Team as Assistant Headteacher for Data and Quality of Education. Dr Bell brings with her an abundance of educational experience and expertise as a leader and as a physics specialist – we are very pleased to have her on the team!

On a much more sombre note, on Monday we received the very sad news that Ms Hodson, who had been Deputy Headteacher at the school from 2001 to 2017, passed away following a lengthy battle with cancer. Ms Hodson was a much-loved member of the Senior Leadership Team and our school community and we have been deeply saddened to learn this. We will be paying tribute to her as a school, in due course, in recognition of her phenomenal contribution and dedication to NSG. We send our sincere condolences to her family at this very difficult time.

Wishing you and your families the very best for the year ahead,



Mrs Cristina Taboada-Naya **Headteacher** 













