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Dear Parent/Carers,

I hope this letter finds you well.

Over the past two years, we have been on a significant journey of improvement here at Iceni Academy. I am incredibly proud of the progress we have made—particularly in improving student behaviour and developing a more positive school culture. These changes have not only made the academy a calmer and more purposeful environment, but they have also enabled us to introduce exciting new opportunities that simply would not have been possible before.

One such opportunity is the launch of our new **Student Leadership Team**—a development that reflects how far we have come. This is not something we could have introduced back in September; the transformation in student behaviour and engagement has paved the way for this next step in our journey.

At Iceni, we truly value student voice and believe that young people should play a central role in shaping their school experience. While we currently have a Student Parliament, we know there is more we can do to ensure that *every* student feels heard and represented. This new leadership structure will widen participation and strengthen the sense of ownership and pride students feel in their school.

We also believe in nurturing the whole child, and this initiative will support our students in developing crucial life skills such as teamwork, communication, leadership, and organisation. These experiences will not only enrich their time at Iceni but will also prepare them for the next stage of their education and beyond.

Over the coming weeks, students will attend assemblies introducing the various leadership roles available, outlining what each role involves and explaining how to apply. We are also aiming to publish this information on our website to keep you informed and involved.

I encourage you to talk to your child about this exciting opportunity and support them in applying if they are interested. Whether or not they are selected for a formal role, the process itself will be a valuable learning experience.

This is part of my wider commitment to building a culture at Iceni Academy where every student feels proud to belong. I am confident that this new Student Leadership Team will play a vital role in that journey, and I am very much looking forward to working with what I'm sure will be a passionate, thoughtful, and influential group of young people.

If you have any questions or your child wishes to submit their application via email, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours faithfully,

Mr J Morris
Vice Principal