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Period Equality Scheme

Dear Parents and Carers,

You may be aware that the government have introduced a new period product scheme to provide free products in schools. This means that we are able to obtain free products for our students who have forgotten theirs, cannot afford them or have come on their period unexpectedly in school.

Although this is something we have provided for a long time, we will continue to ensure that all students are able to access education, as periods should not be a barrier to this.

Students should be aware that if they are ever in need of a product, they can visit the Student Office who will discreetly give the products that your child may need.

There will be posters displayed in toilets and changing rooms to make students aware and to ask for 'Toiletries' as a code word, if they ever feel too embarrassed to ask directly. The student office will also have a box of supplies so that students can help themselves if they prefer.

As a school, we will hold stock of winged and non-winged period pads and regular, super and super plus tampons. Please note, safety information will be given out with tampons.

In addition, we will be including information regarding this scheme within our PSHE lessons in due course.

Yours faithfully,

Marie Lane Business Manager