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Dear Parent/Guardian

UK Parliament Week (UKPW) – Saturday 2 November 2019 – Friday 8 November 2019

I am writing to inform you about an exciting week of activities planned for students to celebrate UK Parliament Week (UKPW) 2019. UKPW is an annual festival designed to engage people from across the UK with democracy and their Parliament. It aims to educate people about the functions and workings of Parliament and to empower them to get involved in the democratic process.

A range of engaging and interactive activities have been carefully designed to allow students to learn about their Parliament. For example, Year 9 students will receive a seminar from Baroness Garden of Frognal, a member of the House of Lords, and have the opportunity to ask the Baroness a range of questions about the roles of the two Houses and her career history. Meanwhile, a number of Year 13 students will have the opportunity to participate in a parliamentary style debate on a topical issue.

Students from all year groups will learn an interesting fact about Parliament during each tutor period, engage with UKPW assemblies, and develop their vocabulary through a politics-related word of the week. Across the curriculum, teachers will also be incorporating debating into their lessons to support students in developing their confidence, communication, and public speaking skills.

We hope that students will find the UKPW activities engaging and informative and take this opportunity to deepen their knowledge and understanding of Parliament and democracy.

If you have any questions or would like any further information, please do not hesitate to contact me via the school office office@maidenerleghschool.co.uk.

Yours sincerely

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