



Dear Parents and Carers,

24th March 2026

As we come to the end of what has been a short but very busy half term, I wanted to share some of the wonderful experiences and achievements from our Year 10 students.

We begin with the Dance Showcase, where our performers took to the stage with such confidence and beauty—they made us incredibly proud. Students also attended the Sixth Form Festival of Careers, representing the academy with maturity and enthusiasm. In addition, those students interested in taking Criminology post 16 enjoyed an insightful visit to East Norfolk Sixth Form, gaining a clearer understanding of the courses available in this field.

Students have been working proactively to secure their work experience placements for **w/c 29th June**. As previously mentioned, placements should now be logged on Unifrog so any additional forms required by the academy or the placement provider can be completed. Please contact Mrs Richings if you have any questions regarding work experience.

After the Easter break, we move into the Year 10 mock examination period, beginning on **Tuesday 14th April**. As outlined in my earlier communication, **attendance to mocks is compulsory**. Students must arrive on time and be fully prepared for their examinations. These mocks are an important milestone, helping us identify current working levels and any additional support needed ahead of their final year. To help students feel confident, we will complete a full run-through of seating and exam-hall entry procedures before the first exam.

We have seen a positive increase in home learning completion this half term, which is exactly the direction we want to continue moving in. When completed consistently and correctly, home learning has a significant impact on progress. This must continue into the summer term: **Tassomai is due every Sunday**, and **Sparx every Wednesday**.

Attendance remains a key focus for Year 10, particularly during the mock period and throughout the summer term. Several important coursework deadlines are approaching, and students must be in school to meet these requirements. I would like to congratulate Miss Getvoldsen's form, which achieved the highest attendance this half term - reaching an impressive 98% last week. A fantastic achievement. We need to see all students attending school every day, on time.

P6 sessions will continue on Wednesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays throughout the summer term. We may be inviting more students to attend to ensure they reach their full potential.

As always, Mrs Schroder and I are incredibly proud of our year group and the young people they are becoming. It feels quite surreal to be approaching the final term before they enter Year 11. Our aim is to ensure this transition is smooth and that students feel calm, supported, and confident about the year ahead. If you have any concerns regarding your child's mock examinations or academic progress, please do not hesitate to contact me; I am always happy to help.

Thank you for your continued support.

Wishing you and your families a restful and enjoyable Easter break.

Kind Regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, consisting of a large, stylized 'L' shape with a loop at the top and a long, sweeping tail that curves back towards the start of the letter.

Miss L Grimmer

Head of Year 10