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Dear Parent/Carer

## **Year 9 Options, RP6th Application Deadline, Asthma Survey, Site Flooding**

Welcome to my end of week update letter. It was lovely to see so many of our families join us for Year 9 Options Evening on Wednesday. Wednesday was also a really busy but positive PD Day. A personal highlight for me was popping into the common room and offering an impromptu ironing lesson to some of our Year 13s!

### **Year 9 Options**

Thank you so much if you attended our Options Evening. We hope you found it useful and informative. The links to the microsite and application form are below:

Microsite:

<https://vle.srpa.co.uk/01665d08846023017afe696479496c82>

Direct link to the application form:

<https://vle.srpa.co.uk/db745310e527535890c0aade23f1e509>

A reminder that the deadline for completed applications is Friday 6 February at 12:00pm. Please use the [options@srpa.co.uk](mailto:options@srpa.co.uk) email for any direct queries.

Mr Ward will be sending out a letter regarding any students wishing to attend UTC or who intend leaving for another school. We would be grateful of a response directly to him if your youngster is considering this, so that we can best support them and factor this into our planning moving forwards.

### **RP6th Application Deadline**

We have received a good number of applications now but intend to extend the application deadline for one week to close on 9 February. Firstly, some of our students need some help in choosing their options in order to match them with their longer-term destinations. We will be providing this support via the sixth form team in the next week or so. Secondly, we have received some applications where clashes existed and so we have worked hard to minimise these where possible. Applications can be made in the usual way and nothing else has changed.

### **Asthma Survey**

We have been invited to take part in the Core20PLUS5 asthma project, which includes completing a short survey and the opportunity for staff from NHS Lincolnshire to visit pupils with asthma at the Academy. During this visit, staff from NHS Lincolnshire will discuss their experience of care and support and encourage feedback to shape improvements.

NHS Lincolnshire will also provide students with more information on asthma by completing a mixture of delivery and activities. NHS Lincolnshire want to ask students their opinion on the current NHS asthma webpages and ask them to assist in designing a more user-friendly and engaging format.

For further information, please see the attached leaflet.

## Site Flooding

I continue to receive enquiries and moans about the state of the site when it rains. I assure you, I share your deep frustration! When the school was built and opened in 1953, it was not given a drainage system and relies on a series of soakaways around the site. Clearly, this is no longer sustainable, especially given the impact of climate change with more unreliable and extreme weather patterns. As I have mentioned before, I have submitted a multi-million-pound bid to the DfE for the implementation of a full mains-connected drainage system. We should hear the outcome of this application around Easter.

In the meantime, we continue to mitigate the short-term risks to the best of our ability and will continue to do so for the foreseeable period.

As we approach the end of Year 11 mock examinations, prepare to share mock outcomes with Year 13, receive applications for RP6<sup>th</sup> from Year 11 and Year 9 begin the options process, I am reminded of a simple quote by the Roman lyric poet, Horace, who said "Life grants nothing to us mortals without hard work."

Have a good weekend when it comes.

I will write again soon.

Yours faithfully



**Mr D Hardy**  
**Headmaster**





Lincolnshire Community  
and  
Voluntary Partnership



Do you have **Asthma** and are a  
**Child or Person under 25?**

**NHS Lincolnshire want to improve the  
asthma care and support you receive.**

**Please share your views and  
experience with the NHS to help  
shape the asthma support you can  
receive in the future.**

**Please take part in  
this 3 minute  
survey:**



<https://forms.office.com/e/gMh19hH8hw>



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