



12 June 2026

Dear Parent/Carer

Year 10 and 12 Mock Examinations, Year 7 Parents' Evening, Year 6 Enhanced Transition Visits, Year 8 SAIS Vaccinations, Children's Commissioner – The Big Future Survey, Headmaster Tie Nominations, Thank a Teacher Day, Headteacher Appointment

Welcome to my end of week update letter. It has been another busy week with one eye on planning for September and the other focussed on events prior to the end of term. A warm welcome to Year 6 parents and carers who are receiving my letter for the first time.

Year 10 and 12 Mock Examinations

As the public examinations are coming towards the end, we begin our mock examination series for both of these year groups. Both years received an assembly focussed on the rules and regulations during this week so that they are well-prepared and get a good idea of just what their examinations will feel like in January and/or next summer depending on their courses.

Year 7 Parents' Evening

This will take place next Wednesday from 4pm. Instructions for booking appointments have already been sent out. We look forward to seeing many of you on the evening.

Year 6 Enhanced Transition Visits

These visits begin next Wednesday afternoon between 1:30pm and 3pm. Students will be toured by the SLC team to orientate them to the building prior to the transition days on 2 and 3 July. Along with this, I want to say thank you to the Year 6 parents and carers who joined us for our SEND Coffee afternoon on Wednesday where there was a chance to ask questions and meet the SLC team. I hope you all found it useful.

Year 8 SAIS Vaccinations

On Friday 19 June, the School Age Immunisation Service will be attending the Academy to administer the Year 8 HPV, Td/IPV, MenACWY and MMR vaccinations. If you wish to give consent but have not done so as yet, please refer to the NHS letter you have already been sent. Thank you.

Children's Commissioner – The Big Future Survey

The Children's Commissioner has asked all education settings to share her annual survey for completion by students. The link is here: [About this survey : The Big Future survey - have your say!](#)

Headmaster Tie Nominations

I intend to give out my next round of colours ties at Full School Assembly on Wednesday 22 July. It is not too late to nominate your child. These are available in the following disciplines:

- Leadership: in or out of the Academy which can include volunteering
- Music: for performance and achievement in or out of the Academy
- Drama: for performance and achievement in or out of the Academy
- Sport: for performance and achievement in or out of the Academy
- Charity Fundraising: where a student or group of students have raised funds for a charity cause they are passionate about.

Should you wish to nominate your child for a tie, please email my PA, Miss Timbrell, at ltimbrell@srpa.co.uk. Thank you.

Thank A Teacher Day

Next Wednesday is Thank a Teacher Day. The job is challenging but very rewarding and my staff body are brilliant. If you or your child wish to thank one of my team for all that they do, you can do so via thankateacher.co.uk.

Headteacher appointment

I am delighted to inform you that Mr Adlington has been appointed to his first headship. From September 2026, he will lead Bishop Alexander Primary School in Newark as part of the LEAD Academy Trust. I am sure you will all join me in congratulating him on his success. I have had the distinct pleasure of working with him for these past eight years and can see no greater privilege than to have played a role, however small, in supporting him to fulfil his professional dream. Of course, this announcement will raise all sorts of questions with regards to our plans for SEND and the SLC. There is no need to worry – this matter was discussed with the Full Board shortly before he was successful at interview and planning is underway to ensure that there is no loss of service as we move forward.

Mr Adlington inspires my weekly quote this week, taken from the book 'No Limits: The Will to Succeed' by Olympic swimmer Michael Phelps: "There will be obstacles. There will be doubters. There will be mistakes. But with hard work, with belief, with confidence and trust in yourself and those around you, there are no limits."

Have a good weekend when it comes.

I will write again soon.

Yours faithfully



Mr D Hardy
Headmaster

