

Principal's Newsletter

17 April 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to Summer Term!

Although it's been a short week, there has been plenty going on. The term began for all staff on Tuesday with an INSET programme that included safeguarding training and a session for teaching staff led by Miss Finnegan (Assistant Principal: Deputy Head of Primary) and Miss Brooke (Primary Head of Learning) on 'Building on Strong Foundations'. This session highlighted to teaching staff across all phases the high expectations of our pupils at the end of the primary phase to ensure that we work hard with our pupils, and staff, to maintain these ambitious standards, particularly in writing, as they transition into the senior phase. I spoke to staff about our priorities for this term which include writing across all phases of the College, forthcoming end of key stage external examinations and forward-thinking curriculum planning.

We were also very pleased to welcome back to the school the Anthony Walker Foundation who delivered an informative and thought-provoking anti-racism session to staff, building on our ongoing work with the organisation to ensure a safe and inclusive learning environment for all members of our community.

At our whole staff meeting I was able to welcome our new Chemistry teacher Ms Carvell, who joins the Science faculty in the secondary phase and we also welcomed back Ms McCone from maternity leave who takes up her role as Dean of Chapter 7. I also had the opportunity to highlight the hard work of our operational staff who work through the holidays to make improvements to our campus.

I must also add a thank you to those staff who gave up their time to take the school ski trips and run revision sessions for our exam pupils during the holiday period.

The week hasn't finished though with tonight's highly anticipated Jazz Evening to look forward to!

Today our GCSE pupils have their PE moderation along with pupils from 4 other local schools here at the school while next week sees our Chapter 11 pupils taking their GCSE Spanish speaking exams. This marks the beginning of the long exam season for our Chapter 11 and

Chapter 13 pupils and as I mentioned to staff at INSET, along with the upcoming SATs exams for Chapter 6 in May, it also marks the culmination of years of hard work and learning from pupils and staff. I wish all our pupils taking external examinations this summer every success.

Mrs Crook (SENCO) has received information from the Liverpool ASD Training Team about support and training courses available for parents in April. Please click on the links below to access further information:

- [Virtual one to one drop-in advisory sessions](#) (diagnosis of ASD is not required)
- [ASD Course](#) (for parents whose child has an ASD diagnosis) – 20, 27 April and 11 May

May I wish you and yours a dry and warm weekend.

Yours sincerely,



Mrs A Haynes
Principal