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### **WEEKLY BULLETIN**



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Dear Parents, Carers and Pupils

I hope you all had a restful half-term break. It has been wonderful to welcome pupils back this week and the atmosphere around school has been full of energy and purpose as we begin another busy and exciting half-term.

#### Year 9 and 10 Navy Outreach Talks

We would like to extend our sincere thanks to the Royal Navy Outreach Team for visiting the Academy this week to deliver assemblies to our Year 9 and 10 pupils. Their presentation was both inspiring and informative, giving our pupils valuable insight into teamwork, leadership and the range of opportunities available through the Royal Navy.

#### Year 7 Tutor Evening

Thank you to all the parents and carers of our Year 7 pupils who attended the online Tutor Evening on Thursday. We hope you found the discussions with your child's form tutor helpful and reassuring as your child continues to settle into secondary school life. If you were unable to attend your appointment or would like to arrange further contact, please email enquiries@uals.org.uk.

#### Year 11 Big Push Evening—Tuesday 11th November

We are excited to invite all Year 11 parents and carers to our Big Push Evening next Tuesday at 5:30pm in the Main Hall. This important event will provide an excellent opportunity to meet your child's core subject teachers and receive invaluable information about how to support your child in the run-up to their GCSE exams. We look forward to seeing as many of you as possible.

#### SALAD Day - Tuesday 11th November

Next Tuesday will also be our SALAD Day (Speaking And Listening Active Development). This is a fantastic opportunity for pupils to develop their speaking and listening skills across all subjects, not just English. Pupils will follow their normal timetable, but lessons will feature specially planned interactive activities focused on communication and verbal expression. A letter with more details was emailed home earlier this week.

#### Careers Fair - Wednesday 12th November

We are thrilled to announce the return of our annual Careers Fair on Wednesday. All pupils will have the chance to visit the Leisure Centre, where over 90 local employers, colleges and training providers will be available to speak with them about post-16 options and future career pathways. Parents and carers are warmly invited to attend from 2:00pm, to explore the opportunities available and support your child as they begin planning for life beyond school.

#### Children in Need - Non-Uniform Day—Friday 14th November

Finally, we are delighted to be supporting Children in Need this year. Pupils are invited to come to school in non-uniform on Friday for a £1 donation. Please see the letter emailed home for full details about non-uniform expectations.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support. It is wonderful to see our pupils engaging so positively in all areas of school life and we look forward to another productive and inspiring half-term ahead.

Yours faithfully



Mr L Davé **Principal** 

## UPCOMING KEY DATES

11th November

Year 11 Big Push Face to Face 5:30pm & SALAD Day

12th November
Careers Fair

13th November

England vs Serbia – Wembley Stadium Football Trip

14th November

Children in Need Non Uniform

Day £1 Donation

19th November

Lincolnshire NHS Talent Academy NHS careers day at The Engine Shed Lincoln for Year 10.

W/C 24th November

Year 11 Mocks

Year 7—10 Progress Tests



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If you have any specific questions or queries, please email

enquiries@uals.org.uk

### Rewards at UALS

At UALS, we believe in the power of positive reinforcement to motivate and inspire our pupils. Rewards play a vital role in celebrating their hard work, effort and achievements, whether academic, personal, or extracurricular.

GOLD SHIELD
(1000+ REWARD POINTS)

SILVER SHIELD
(750—999 REWARD POINTS)

BRONZE SHIELD
(500—749 REWARD POINTS)
GOLD STAR

(300-500 REWARD POINTS)

SILVER STAR

(200—300 REWARD POINTS)

BRONZE STAR

100—200 REWARD POINTS)

1 pupil has achieved this

90 pupils have achieved this

509 pupils have

achieved this

	Year 7	Year 8	Year 9	Year 10	Year 11
REWARD POINTS 07/11/2025	22,380	21,200	15,351	18,800	15,046

	7ET	8RM	9FG	10FS	11SH
REWARD POINTS TOP FORMS	4,048	3,936	3,422	4,610	3,798



### **Hot Chocolate Friday!**



We are excited to announce Hot Chocolate Friday, a special reward for pupils who have gone above and beyond this week!

Selected pupils will have the opportunity to spend tutor time with the Principal, enjoying a well-deserved treat of hot chocolate and recognition for their hard work, kindness, or exceptional contributions.

This is our way of celebrating the amazing things you do every day and encouraging everyone to continue striving for excellence.

Please see below picture of this week's star!



## Visit by the Royal Navy Engagement Team — Years 9 & 10

On Tuesday and Thursday our Years 9 and 10 pupils were fortunate to welcome the Royal Navy Engagement Team to school. The members of the team delivered an engaging presentation outlining what the Royal Navy does — from global operations and humanitarian aid to cutting-edge engineering and lifelong careers at sea and on shore.

They described the many career pathways available from age 16 + — including warfare, engineering, logistics & catering, medical & healthcare and more.

Following the presentation, the pupils split into teams and participated in a practical challenge: building a "satellite tower" to simulate setting up communications on an aid mission. It was truly a delight to see so many of our pupils listening attentively, following the instructions, collaborating within their teams and solving practical problems together.

### Highlights of the day

The pupils showed excellent teamwork and creativity as they worked to design and build their communication tower under time pressure.

The facilitators from the Royal Navy emphasised the importance of clarity of instruction, adaptability and clear communication — values that our pupils demonstrated very well.

We were pleased to see confident participation from both Years 9 and 10, with several pupils stepping up as team leaders.

### Why the Royal Navy careers talk was so valuable

It exposed pupils to real-world roles beyond the classroom, linking their skills (team-working, communication, planning) to exciting future possibilities.

It reinforced aspiration: the idea that choosing a career at 16+ doesn't have to be a narrow path but can include adventure, challenge and service.

The hands-on challenge made the talk memorable and gave pupils a chance to practise skills in an active way — rather than simply listening.

We hope this visit sparks some of our pupils to explore the kinds of opportunities the Royal Navy offers

— you can find out more about those careers here: https://www.royalnavy.mod.uk/careers









# YEAR 11 BIG PUSH EVENING



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We are excited to announce that the Year 11 Big Push Evening will take place on Tuesday 11th November 2025, from 5:30pm to 7:30pm, held on site in the Main Hall.

This important event is designed to support parents and carers in helping their child prepare for the upcoming GCSE exams.

You will receive valuable information, guidance and practical strategies to support your child in achieving their best possible results.

We strongly encourage all parents and carers of Year 11 pupils to attend. https://universityacademyls.greenhousecms.co.uk/docs/Letters/Year\_11\_Big\_Push\_Evening\_11\_11\_2025.pdf









2025

Your Guidance, Their Success – Be Part of the Journey."

We invite all Year 7-11 parents/carers to our careers fair



Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> November 2025



From Your Workplace to Their Future – Join Us at the Careers Fair. If you or your company would like a stand at the careers fair please email Jacqui Gilman

Careers Adviser at gilmanj@uolat.co.uk



University Academy Long Sutton Leisure Centre

## Good News Assembly

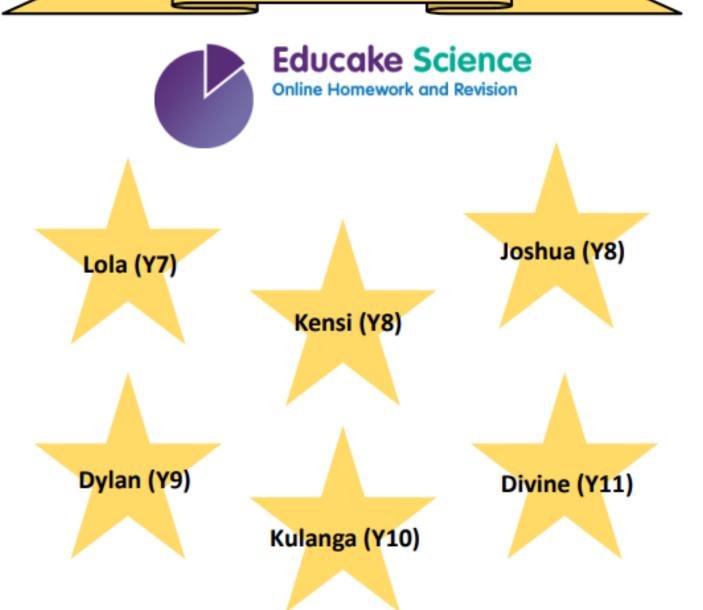
Year 7 and 8 enjoyed an engaging and thought-provoking assembly exploring how modern Christians navigate everyday challenges and find strength through their faith. The session encouraged reflection, discussion, and openness, giving pupils the opportunity to consider personal values and resilience in daily life.

Guests from Good News for Everyone kindly offered New
Testaments and mini Bibles to any pupils who wished to receive
one. A big thank you goes to all the staff and pupils who helped
make the assembly a success — and especially to our guests for
their wonderful interactive activities and inspiring musical
accompaniments that brought the message to life.



## OCTOBER

### **LEADERBOARD**



Most questions answered:
Oscar (Y11)

### Dyslexia Outreach

### Study Skills and Revision Strategies

### A free online workshop for secondary-aged students and their families



Open to anyone preparing for GCSEs or A-Levels as well as any secondary students, from Year 7 onwards, who would like ideas on how to better retain and organise learning.

> Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> November 2025 7:00 – 8:00pm

If your child would like to attend, please email Odette Read, stating your child's name and school: odette.read@lincolnshire.gov.uk





# YEAR 9



Parents' evenings, simplified

# PARENTS!

# EVENING

Thursday 27th November 2025

### 4:30pm - 7:00pm Online via SchoolCloud

A chance for you to find out about your child's progress and ask questions about how you can support them. More information of how to book appointments will be emailed home in due course.





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### **WEEKLY MENU**



### EVERY TUESDAY

Asian inspired noodles with a selection of protein and vegetables



Authentic Greek flatbreads topped with marinated chicken or plant-based protein

### EVERY Thursday

Drumsticks served with a range of signature marinades and seasoned rice

Switch it up with our street food favourites! Ask the team for this week's flavours

MON

Thai Yellow Chicken Curry, Broccoli, Salad & Mixed Rice (VG)

TUE

BBQ Beef & Bean Chilli with Penne and Mixed Salad (Halal available)

WED

Roast Chicken, Gravy & Roasties with Seasonal Greens and Carrots (Halal available)

THU

Chicken & Sweetcorn Pie with Broccoli, Carrots & Cauliflower (Halal available)

FRI

Sustainably Sourced Battered Fish & Chips with Beans or Gravy Mac & Cheese with Crispy Onions with Garlic Bread & Mixed Salad (V)

WOK MY WAY: Oriental Chicken & Vegetable Noodles

FLAT BREADZ; Tikka Chicken with salad & Tzatziki Dressing

CHICK N' RUN: BBQ Chicken & Jollof Rice

Jumbo Sausage & Chips, with Beans or Gravy

### POT & TASTY

Daily range of ready to go pots including pastas, salads and rice bowls

### DESSERTS

Enjoy our chef's choice of sweet treats, served every day



Hot loaded spuds with a daily range of tasty toppings to fill you up



10th Nov, 1st & 22nd Dec, 19th Jan, 9th Feb, 2nd & 23rd March

V - VEGETARIAN VG - VEGAN

# Literacy Focus w/c 10.11.2025 Commas for prepositional openers

As part of our whole-school literacy drive, our focus for the week commencing Monday 10th November will be on using commas for prepositional openers. Pupils will be revisiting how to begin sentences with a prepositional phrase, using a comma to separate this introductory element from the main clause.

For example: "After the bell, the class quickly settled into their seats."

This focus will help pupils add variety to their sentence structures, enhance clarity, and create smoother, more engaging writing. Staff will be encouraging pupils to identify, practise, and apply this technique across all subjects, supporting the development of confident, accurate, and well-crafted written work.

### **KS3 Homework Timetables**

Autumn Term 2 - Year 7						
03/11/25	10/11/25	17/11/25	24/11/25	01/12/25	08/12/25	15/12/25
English	English	Revision week	Progress Tests	English	English	English
Maths	Maths			Maths	Maths	Maths
Science	Science			Science	Science	Science
French	Music			Art	French	Music
Geography	DT			History	Geography	DT

Autumn Term 2 - Year 8						
03/11/25	10/11/25	17/11/25	24/11/25	01/12/25	08/12/25	15/12/25
English	English	Revision week	Progress Tests	English	English	English
Maths	Maths			Maths	Maths	Maths
Science	Science			Science	Science	Science
French	Music			Art	French	Music
Geography	DT			History	Geography	DT

Autumn Term 2 - Year 9						
03/11/25	10/11/25	17/11/25	24/11/25	01/12/25	08/12/25	15/12/25
English	English	Revision week	Progress Tests	English	English	English
Maths	Maths			Maths	Maths	Maths
Science	Science			Science	Science	Science
French	Music			Art	French	Music
Geography	DT			History	Geography	DT



OPEN MONDAY TO FRIDAY, 8:00AM – 4:00PM
PAYMENT ACCEPTED BY CASH OR CHEQUE (PAYABLE TO
UNIVERSITY ACADEMY LONG SUTTON). DEADLINE FOR
PAYMENT: 21<sup>ST</sup> NOVEMBER 2025.



VICHY CHALLENGE

MACMILLAN CANCER SUPPORT

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### **SWIM, BIKE & RUN**

DATE: 23 AUGUST 2026

**LOCATION: FRANCE** 

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For more information or to make a donation in support of Mr Smith, please visit:

https://www.justgiving.com/ page/university-academylong-sutton-2

## School Rebuilding Programme

We are thrilled to share the exciting news that the much-anticipated building works for our school have now officially started and are progressing with remarkable speed!

This marks an incredible step forward for our community, as we work towards creating enhanced facilities that will benefit our pupils, staff and families for years to come.

Below is the link to our Facebook page. Here, you will be able to see a short video of how our new building is developing.

https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=61574125806882







# School Rebuilding Programme (this week's photos)





### EXCITING NEWS SCHOOL REBUILDING PROGRAMME

Exciting progress is underway on our new school building, with interior walls now taking shape! We're thrilled to announce our official move date: 1st June 2026 — marking a major step toward our vision of a modern learning environment.

To support the move, the school will be closed to all pupils except Year 11 on:

Thursday 21st May, Friday 22nd May, Monday 1st June, and Tuesday 2nd June.

Phased return schedule:

- Wed 3rd June: Year 11 & Year 7
- Thu 4th June: Year 11 & Year 8
- Fri 5th June: Year 11, Year 9 & Year 10
- Mon 8th June: All pupils return

We appreciate your understanding as we prepare for this exciting new chapter. Our priority remains the well-being and success of all pupils — especially our Year 11 learners during exam season.

For further information, please refer to the letter emailed home this week.





**SESSION FOR AGES 13 - 18** 

WEDNESDAYS DURING TERM TIME 5:30-6:30PM BROMLEY MEMORIAL HALL, BOURNE RD, SPALDING

**Contact** 

Emma.Morley@lincolnshire.gov.uk



# UALS CLUBS & EXTRA CURRICULAR

Our club offerings are subject to change throughout the academic year.

### **MONDAY**

Library break and lunchtime - Quiet reading, quizzing, book changes, returns or renewals, homework, revision or colouring.

Drama Club with Miss Sharples @ Lunchtime - Main Hall
Year 11 Geography Club @ Lunchtime - HU2 and HU3
Badminton Club KS4 with Mrs Leeper @ Lunchtime - Leisure Centre

English Intervention for Year 11 - Afterschool

### **TUESDAY**

Library break and lunchtime - Quiet reading, quizzing, book changes, returns or renewals, homework, revision or colouring.

KS4 Statistics Revision with Mrs Buckle @ Lunchtime - Maths Dept
Years 7/8 Science Club with Mrs Stone @ Lunchtime - LAB5
KS4 Geography Homework Club @ Lunchtime - HU2 and HU3
Years 8/9 Translation Bee Club @ Lunchtime - FR1
Year 11 Art Intervention @ Lunchtime - ART
KS4 Netball Club with Mrs Green @ Lunchtime - Sports Hall

Science Intervention for Year 11 - Afterschool Years 7/8 Netball Club with Mrs Frost - Afterschool

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Our club offerings are subject to change throughout the academic year.

### WEDNESDAY

Library break and lunchtime - Quiet reading, quizzing, book changes, returns or renewals, homework, revision or colouring.

Careers Drop in with Mrs Gilman @ Lunchtime - Library
UNO Club all year groups with Mrs Swain @ Lunchtime - HU1
Musical Singing Club all year groups with Mrs English @ Lunchtime - Music
Year 9 Language Leaders Club @ Lunchtime - FR2
KS4 NEA/DT Club with Miss Pickworth/Mrs Moate @ Lunchtime - DT1
Year 1 Art Intervention @ Lunchtime - ART
Basketball Club all year groups with Mr Stewart @ Lunchtime - Leisure Centre

Maths Intervention for Year 11 - Afterschool

### **THURSDAY**

Library break and lunchtime - Quiet reading, quizzing, book changes, returns or renewals, homework, revision or colouring.

Chess Club all year groups with Mrs Cotton @ Lunchtime - Library

KS4 French Clinic @ Lunchtime - FR2

KS3 Lego Club with Mr Edwards/Miss Pickworth @ Lunchtime - DT1
Year 7 Puzzle Club with Mrs Harper @ Lunchtime - LAB3
Badminton Club KS3 with Mrs Leeper @ Lunchtime - Leisure Centre

History Intervention for Year 11 - Afterschool

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Our club offerings are subject to change throughout the academic year.

**FRIDAY** 

Library break and lunchtime - Quiet reading, quizzing, book changes, returns or renewals, homework, revision or colouring.

KS4 Football Club with Mr Smith @ Lunchtime - Leisure Centre

KS3 Maths Club with Miss Thompson - MA3

Lego Builders with Miss Pelka - HU3

Art Intervention for Year 11 - Afterschool

We are proud to offer a wide range of clubs and extra-curricular activities for all pupils, designed to support their interests, develop new skills, and help them reach their full potential. From sports and creative arts to academic support and special interest groups, there's something for everyone to enjoy.