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Principal's Weekly Update

Dear Parents, Carers and Pupils

I would like to begin by thanking all parents and carers who attended our Year 10 Online Parents' Evening yesterday. We hope you found the meetings helpful and informative. If you were unable to attend or missed an appointment, please do not hesitate to contact the school and we will be happy to support you.

Next week, our Year 11 pupils will commence their Progress Tests. These assessments are an important opportunity for pupils to demonstrate their learning and to help staff identify any final areas for support ahead of the examination period. We wish all Year 11 pupils the very best of luck and further details can be found in this bulletin.

We are also very much looking forward to our upcoming Super Learning Day on Wednesday. This is always an exciting opportunity for pupils to engage in a range of enriching and inspiring activities. Information about the sessions each year group will rotate through is included within the bulletin and via the letter that was emailed home this week.

A reminder that our Year 9 Options Evening will take place on 5 February. This is an important event to support pupils as they make informed choices about their next steps. Year 9 pupils have until 27 February to return their completed option forms. We look forward to welcoming parents/carers/pupils on the evening to discuss the options process and answer any questions you may have.

Finally, I would like to offer a gentle reminder regarding the school safety letter emailed home earlier this week. Once pupils leave the school site at the end of the day, they must not return to the premises. This is in place to ensure the safety of all members of our school community and we appreciate your continued support with this.

Thank you, as always, for your ongoing support of the school. I wish you all a restful weekend.

Yours faithfully



Mr L Davé
Principal

UPCOMING KEY DATES

W/C 26th January
Year 11 Progress Tests

27th January
Year 7 Mixed Kinball

28th January
Super Learning Day
SEND Check-in Meetings

3rd February
College of West Anglia
Assembly to Year 8

4th February
College of West Anglia
Assembly to Year 9

5th February
Year 9 Options Evening



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If you have any specific
questions or queries, please
email

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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.



	Year 7	Year 8	Year 9	Year 10	Year 11
REWARD POINTS 23/01/2026	43,096	43,166	29,431	35,242	25,320

	7ET	8RM	9FG	10FS	11SH
REWARD POINTS TOP FORMS	8,351	7,969	6,547	8,655	7,018

UALS presents

Super Learning Day

A day for; love for learning, enhancing critical skills and expanding knowledge through fun and engaging activities.

Year 7	Willmott Dixon, STEM Challenge, Channel 4, First Aid Session, Dogs in the Police Force
Year 8	Science Forensics Workshop Day
Year 9	Lincolnshire Authority Day consisting of the following sessions; Online Safety, Drug Awareness, Knife Crime, Fire Safety, Harmful Behaviour
Year 10	Army Careers Talk, Army STEM Challenge, The College of West Anglia (pupils will get to choose from Animal Care, Media and Health/Social Care session), Bowmer and Kirland, LinHigher, NHS Careers, Sphero Bolt (For Year 10 Computer Science Group Only)
Year 11	Cyber Stalking, Drug Awareness, Emotions in Violence, Fire Safety, Online Safety, Sphero Bolt (For Year 11 Computer Science Group Only)

**JAN
28TH**

Please also refer to the letter that was emailed home this week for further information.



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 stars!



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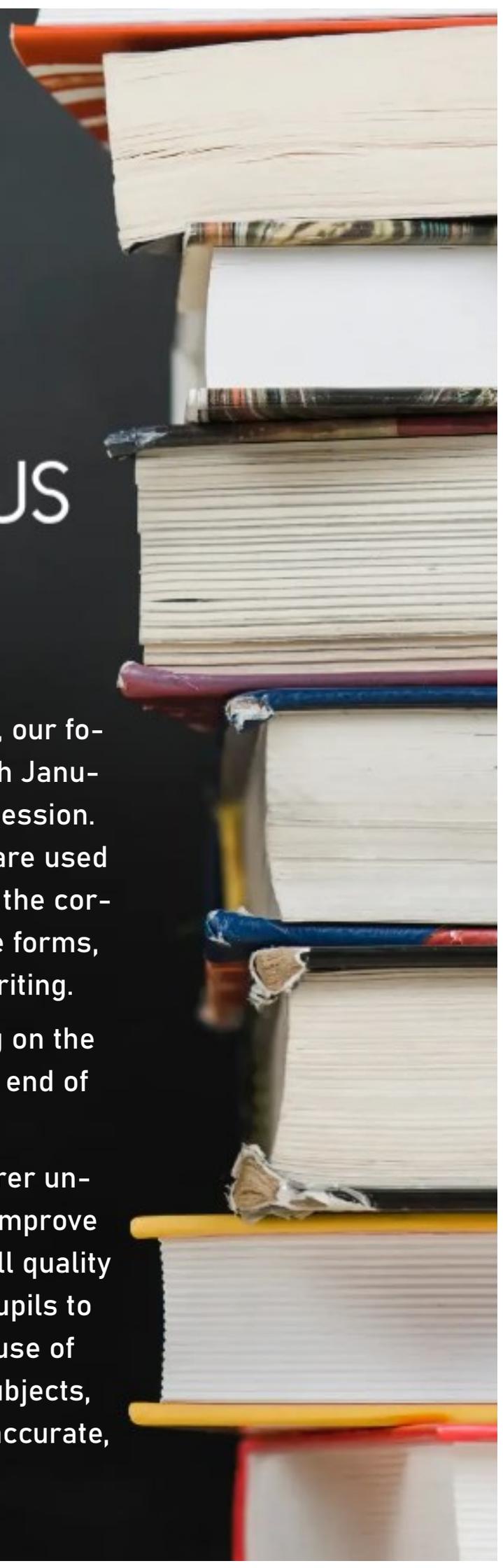
LITERACY FOCUS

Apostrophes for Possession

As part of our whole-school literacy drive, our focus for the week commencing Monday 19th January will be on using apostrophes for possession. Pupils will be revisiting how apostrophes are used to show ownership or belonging, including the correct use of singular and plural possessive forms, ensuring clarity and accuracy in their writing.

For example: "The boy's coat was hanging on the chair," and "The girls' classroom is at the end of the corridor."

This focus will help pupils develop a clearer understanding of standard written English, improve sentence accuracy, and enhance the overall quality of their work. Staff will be encouraging pupils to identify, practise, and apply the correct use of apostrophes for possession across all subjects, supporting the development of confident, accurate, and well-structured written work.



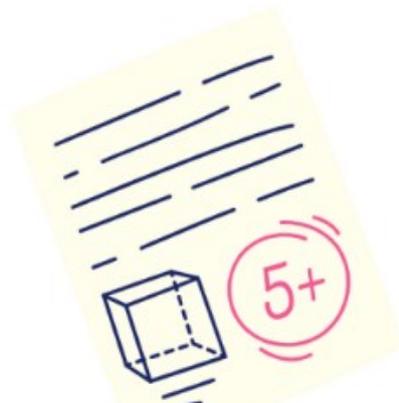
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YEAR 11 PROGRESS TESTS

Year 11 Progress Tests Week will take place from Monday 26th January to Friday 30th January 2026. These tests will assess pupils' understanding of the curriculum covered so far and help identify areas where additional support or challenge may be needed. All examinable subjects will be assessed (excluding RSHE), with tests taking place in pupils' usual classrooms during normal lesson times. Pupils are encouraged to revise using class notes and study materials, and parents are kindly asked to offer support and encouragement. These tests not only measure academic progress but also help pupils develop effective study skills, time management and resilience.





ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE... THE GOOD, THE BAD, THE UGLY - PARENT WEBINAR



Stay Safe Team



Safer Internet Day Parent Event
Tuesday 10th February
6pm-7pm
Microsoft Teams event

★ Curious about AI and your child's world?

Artificial Intelligence is part of everyday life—from homework helpers to fun creative tools. But how can parents make sure it's used safely and wisely?

Join our free webinar "AI: The Good, The Bad & The Ugly" to learn:

- ✔ How AI can support learning and creativity
- 😬 What to watch out for, like chatbots and misinformation
- 💡 Simple tips for family conversations and using parental controls

Empower yourself to guide your family confidently in the age of AI!



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YEAR 9 OPTIONS EVENING

We are excited to announce that the Year 9 Options Evening will take place on Thursday 5th February 2026.

This is a key opportunity for you and your child to learn more about the GCSE options available and the pathways they can pursue.

This event is essential for making informed decisions about your child's future studies and we encourage all parents/carers and pupils to attend. Please refer to the letter emailed home on Tuesday 20th January 2026.

YEAR 9 ACTIVATE YOUR IMMUNITY IT ONLY TAKES TWO MINUTES



**Wednesday
11th February
2026**

The MenACWY jab is highly effective at defending you against the 4 strains of disease which cause Meningitis and Blood Poisoning.

The teenage booster, also known as the 3-in-1 vaccine boosts your child's protection against three separate diseases: tetanus, diphtheria, and polio.

Don't forget to return your consent form to the Lincolnshire Community Health Services <https://www.lincolnshireimmunisations.co.uk/Forms/DTP> (please note this is for Year 9 pupils only).

WEEKLY MENU

WEEK 2



EVERY
TUESDAY

Asian inspired noodles
with a selection of
protein and vegetables



EVERY
WEDNESDAY

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

Pasta Bolognese With Garlic Bread

TUE

Kashmiri Spice Bowl with Beef &
Lentils and Mixed Rice (Halal
available)

WED

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

THU

Sausage & Mash, Caramelised Onion
Gravy & Seasonal Vegetables (Halal
available)

FRI

Sustainably Sourced Battered Fish &
Chips, Beans or Gravy

Hot Dog with Potato wedges

Wok My Way: Thai Green Curry with
Vegetable noodles

Flat Breadz: Tandoori Chicken with
Tzatziki Dressing & Salad

Chic N' Run: BBQ Chicken with Rice
& Peas

Jumbo Sausage & Chips, 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

27th Oct, 17th Nov, 8th Dec, 5th & 26th Jan, 16th Feb, 9th March

V - VEGETARIAN
VG - VEGAN



KS3 HOMEWORK TIMETABLES

Spring Term 1 - Year 7

06/01/26	12/01/26	19/01/26	26/01/26	02/02/26	09/02/26
English	English	English	English	English	English
Maths	Maths	Maths	Maths	Maths	Maths
Science	Science	Science	Science	Science	Science
Art	French	Music	Art	French	Music
History	Geography	DT	History	Geography	DT

Spring Term 1 - Year 8

06/01/26	12/01/26	19/01/26	26/01/26	02/02/26	09/02/26
English	English	English	English	English	English
Maths	Maths	Maths	Maths	Maths	Maths
Science	Science	Science	Science	Science	Science
Art	French	Music	Art	French	Music
History	Geography	DT	History	Geography	DT

Spring Term 1 - Year 9

06/01/26	12/01/26	19/01/26	26/01/26	02/02/26	09/02/26
English	English	English	English	English	English
Maths	Maths	Maths	Maths	Maths	Maths
Science	Science	Science	Science	Science	Science
Art	French	Music	Art	French	Music
History	Geography	DT	History	Geography	DT

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>



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.



UALS CLUBS & EXTRA CURRICULAR

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

MONDAY

Library break and lunchtime - Silent Reading
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
Year 11 Sports Coaching Mr Wheeler LAB7

English Intervention for Year 11 - Afterschool

TUESDAY

Library break and lunchtime - Silent Reading
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
Years 7 & 8 Trampolining Club - Mrs Green Leisure Centre
Year 11 Sports Coaching Mr Wheeler LAB7

Science Intervention for Year 11 - Afterschool
All Years Netball Club with Mrs Frost - Afterschool

UALS CLUBS & EXTRA CURRICULAR

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

WEDNESDAY

Library break and lunchtime - Silent Reading

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 11 Art Intervention @ Lunchtime - ART

Basketball Club all year groups with Mr Stewart @ Lunchtime - Leisure Centre

Year 10 Fustal - Mr Meehan Sports Hall

Maths Intervention for Year 11 - Afterschool

THURSDAY

Library break and lunchtime - Silent Reading

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 all years with Mrs Leeper @ Lunchtime - Leisure Centre

History Intervention for Year 11 - Afterschool

UALS CLUBS & EXTRA CURRICULAR

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

FRIDAY

Library break and lunchtime - Silent Reading

KS4 Football Club with Mr Wheeler @ Lunchtime - Leisure Centre

KS3 Maths Club with Miss Thompson - MA3

Lego Builders with Miss Pelka - HU3

All Years Basketball Club Sports Hall

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.



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LOCATION: FRANCE

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