

UALS Newsletter

12 JUNE 2026



Upcoming Dates

Year 10 Mocks (2 weeks) - W/C 15/22 June 2026
Years 7 to 9 Progress Test Week - 22 June 2026
Year 9 Bletchley Park Trip - 23 June 2026
Year 10 CWA Taster Day - 24 June 2026
Year 11 Prom - 26 June 2026
Year 6 Induction Days - 29/30 June 2026

Virtual talk for Year 9 and 10 parents/carers 6-6:30pm (Using Unifrog to support your child with their Post 16 plans) - 1 July 2026
Year 7 Parents' Evening - 2 July 2026
Athletics Competition - 2 July 2026
Year 10 Geography Trip to Hunstanton - 2 July 2026
Year 5 Taster Day - 7 July 2026
UALS Inter-Form Athletics Sports Day - 8 July 2026
Year 10 Geography Trip to Kings Lynn - 9 July 2026
Young Carers Festival at Lincoln Bishop University invite only - 10 July 2026

Key topics...

Update from the
Acting Principal

New Building Photos

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matter?

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Acting Principal's Update

An Exciting New Chapter for Our School

What an incredible and memorable week it has been for everyone in our school community! After months of anticipation, we have officially moved from our old school building into our brand-new, state-of-the-art facility.

The excitement across the school has been truly infectious. From the moment pupils first stepped through the doors, there was a real sense of wonder and pride as they explored their new learning environment. The new multi-million-pound building provides bright, spacious classrooms, modern resources, and inspiring learning spaces that will support our children for many years to come.

Moving an entire school is no small task, and we would like to thank our staff, pupils, parents, and the wider community for their patience, flexibility, and support throughout the transition. Their cooperation has helped make the move smooth and successful.

Throughout the week, children have enjoyed settling into their new classrooms, discovering the different areas of the building, and embracing the opportunities that this exciting environment offers. It has been wonderful to see their enthusiasm and positivity as they begin this new chapter in the life of our school.

While we have many fond memories of our previous building, we are thrilled to look towards the future. This outstanding new facility reflects our commitment to providing the very best educational experience for every child and will enable us to continue growing, learning, and achieving together.

We look forward to sharing many more exciting moments and milestones with you as we make this remarkable new school building our home and new areas of the site are opened.



New School Photos...



SHINE

3-2-1 SHINE is a whole-school attention routine that we have recently introduced and are working hard to embed consistently across the school. It provides pupils with a clear and simple set of expectations to follow when an adult is speaking or when it is time to focus on learning.

SHINE stands for:

- Sit up straight
- Hands still
- In silence
- Never interrupt
- Eyes tracking the teacher

Using this common language helps to ensure that expectations are consistent in every classroom and around the school. Pupils know exactly what is expected of them, creating a calm, focused, and respectful environment where everyone can learn successfully.

We have been extremely impressed with how positively pupils have responded to 3-2-1 SHINE so far. Their engagement, enthusiasm, and willingness to embrace these expectations have been fantastic. As we continue to embed this approach across the school, we are confident that it will further strengthen our learning culture and help all pupils to thrive.



Proud Station

We are delighted to launch Proud Station, a new initiative designed to celebrate the fantastic achievements, effort and personal growth of our pupils.

At University Academy Long Sutton, we are committed to recognising success in all its forms. Pupils may be awarded a Proud Sticker by their teacher when they: Produce an exceptional piece of work for their individual starting point.

- Demonstrate particular talent, flair or creativity.
- Go above and beyond what is expected.
- Show ambition through the depth or breadth of their learning.
- Demonstrate resilience, determination and hard work.
- Show a genuine commitment to improving and making progress.

Every Friday, pupils can visit Proud Station and present the Proud Stickers they have earned throughout the week. Stickers can then be exchanged for a range of rewards, including sweet prizes, fun prizes and functional prizes, giving pupils the opportunity to choose a reward that is meaningful to them.

Proud Station reflects our belief that achievement is about more than outcomes alone. It is about recognising the effort, character and determination that help our pupils succeed. We look forward to celebrating many deserving pupils throughout the year.

Uniform Expectations

At University Academy Long Sutton, we believe that a smart and consistent uniform helps foster a sense of belonging, pride and professionalism across our Academy community.

As we approach the new academic year, we would like to remind families of our key uniform expectations. Pupils are expected to wear their Academy blazer, white shirt, Academy tie, appropriate black trousers or skirt, and plain black school shoes every day.

Please note that the following items are not permitted in the Academy: hoodies, gilets, fashion jumpers, sportswear jumpers, non-uniform sportswear, trainers, false nails, false eyelashes and facial piercings. Hair colour should remain natural and hairstyles should comply with Academy expectations.

We also ask families to ensure that pupils arrive fully equipped and ready to learn each day.

Full details of our uniform and PE kit requirements can be found on the Academy website. If you have any questions or require support regarding uniform, please contact us at enquiries@uals.org.uk or on 01406 362120.

Thank you for your continued support in helping us maintain the high standards, sense of pride and professional culture that underpin life at University Academy Long Sutton.

Attendance Matters - every pupil, every day

Attendance during one school year	Equal days	Approx. weeks absent	Lessons missed	Approx absence over five school years
95%	9 days	2 weeks	50 lessons	¼ year
90%	19 days	5 weeks	100 lessons	½ year
80%	38 days	8 weeks	200 lessons	1 year
70%	57 days	11½ weeks	288 lessons	1¼ years
60%	80 days	16 weeks	400 lessons	2 years
50%	100 days	20 weeks	500 lessons	2½ years

Well done to all pupils who achieved 100% attendance last term. Your dedication and commitment to learning are something to be proud of!

Year 7 - Shannon-Mai A, Ruby B, Oliver B, Finley C, Dexter C, Cat C, Lewis C, Ellie-Mae D, Chloe F, Esmae F-S, Jack H, Eleanor P, Sophie P, Noah R, Luke S, Macy S and Tyler W.

Year 8 – Olivia-Jayne A, Mia A, Thomas B, Oakley B, Finley C-W, Kensi C, Izzy D, Minnie F-C, Phoebe G, Vince H, Madison-Brooke H, Theo H, Jayla J, Victoria J, Joshua B-J, Jenson S-B and Betty W.

Year 9 – Taylor B, Finley B, Daniel B, Riley C, Dylan C, Max D, Freddie E, Theo G, Angelica L, Alexis M, Tori Mc, James R and Lewis W.

Year 10 – Lauren C, Dinis C, Callum D, Oscar D, Ollie E, Lewis G, Logan H, Emi J, Ben J, Leon Mc and Riley W.

Year 11 – Alisha-Mai C, Ollie J, Harry M and Reese O'R.

Congratulations to our highest-attending forms last term. Thank you for setting a fantastic example through your excellent attendance and commitment to school life.

7GE – 96.1%

8RS – 93.1%

9MS – 90%

10FS – 93.5%

11NL – 92.4%

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YEAR 6

TRANSITION DAYS

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Please return your admission packs on or before Thursday 25th June at the Parental Induction Evening.



WHEN ARE THE TRANSITION DAYS?

Monday 29th June 2026 – 8:45am – 3:20pm
Tuesday 30th June 2026 – 8:45am – 3:20pm

WHAT DOES IT INCLUDE?

During the two induction days, you will have the chance to:

- Meet Key Staff
- Explore our new 'State of the Art Facilities'
- Make new friendships
- Experience lessons in:
- DT, PE, Music, Maths, Science, Art
- Have fun!

Please remember to bring with you: A pen, pencil, water bottle and a packed lunch



UALS PRESENTS

*Prom
Night*

*It's a night to celebrate and make
unforgettable memories with friends.*

FRIDAY 26th JUNE 2026

Prom tickets are no longer available to purchase. We are very much looking forward to celebrating with our pupils at what promises to be an amazing and memorable evening with friends.

Please refer to the letter emailed home on 05/06/2026 for important information regarding transports arrangements. Any questions, please email Mr Wright on wrightj@uals.org.uk

Year 10 Mock Examinations

Date	Start Time	Exam Duration	Component Title
Jun 19, 2026	09:00	01:45	English - Session 1
Jun 19, 2026	13:15	01:30	Media
Jun 22, 2026	09:00	01:45	Mathematics - 1
Jun 22, 2026	13:15	01:30	Computer Science
Jun 23, 2026	09:00	01:45	Science - Biology (Triple & Combined)
Jun 23, 2026	13:15	01:30	Music
Jun 25, 2026	09:00	01:45	DT
Jun 29, 2026	09:00	01:45	Food & Nutrition
Jun 29, 2026	13:15	01:30	French
Jun 30, 2026	09:00	01:45	Statistics
Jun 30, 2026	13:15	01:45	Mathematics - 2
Jul 1, 2026	09:00	01:45	Science - Chemistry (Triple & Combined)
Jul 1, 2026	13:15	01:30	BTEC DIT
Jul 2, 2026	09:00	01:45	Science - Physics (Triple & Combined)
Jul 2, 2026	13:15	01:30	History
Jul 3, 2026	09:00	01:45	English - Session 2
Jul 3, 2026	13:15	01:45	Geography



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Parents Evening

Parents' evenings, simplified

YEAR 7

PARENTS'

EVENING

Thursday 2nd July 2026

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.

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Work Experience Success!

We are absolutely delighted to share some fantastic feedback about our pupils currently completing their work experience placements!

Our local and national employers have been incredibly complimentary, praising the professionalism, enthusiasm, and positive attitudes shown by our pupils. We are thrilled to share that one pupil has even been offered the possibility of an apprenticeship following their placement—what a wonderful achievement!

During her site visits, Mrs Gilman has loved seeing how happy, confident, and engaged everyone looks while gaining valuable, real-world experience. It's been fantastic to hear about the new skills they are developing and the amazing impressions they are making.

Join us in giving a huge congratulation to all of our pupils for being such fantastic ambassadors for our school!



English Department Success Young Writers Competition

This year, Young Writers invited pupils to write a poem on the theme of "I have a dream".

Two of our pupils took up that invitation and their published work is shown below.

Congratulations to Wesley and Ava.

I Have A Dream 2026 - Words With Purpose

A Little Key

Why does everyone rely on me?
I'm just a little key.
My owners are as happy as can be,
Is that why they lose me?
I get wedged in the seats of their car,
Often I get left in a bar.
But lately, I have a dream,
To be as happy as my owners have been.
As the rain shines on the lock,
I wait for the child's bubblegum to pop,
Till my body has been dropped.

Ava Cooper (11)

University Academy Long Sutton, Spalding



YoungWriters

A Sunny Evening As I Dream

As the trees swayed,
The birds chirped.
An aeroplane soared.

I could never get bored.
The skyline so beautiful.
A castle in my eyeline.

Strolling through the royal forest,
The leaves crunched,
As the squirrels found an acorn bunch.

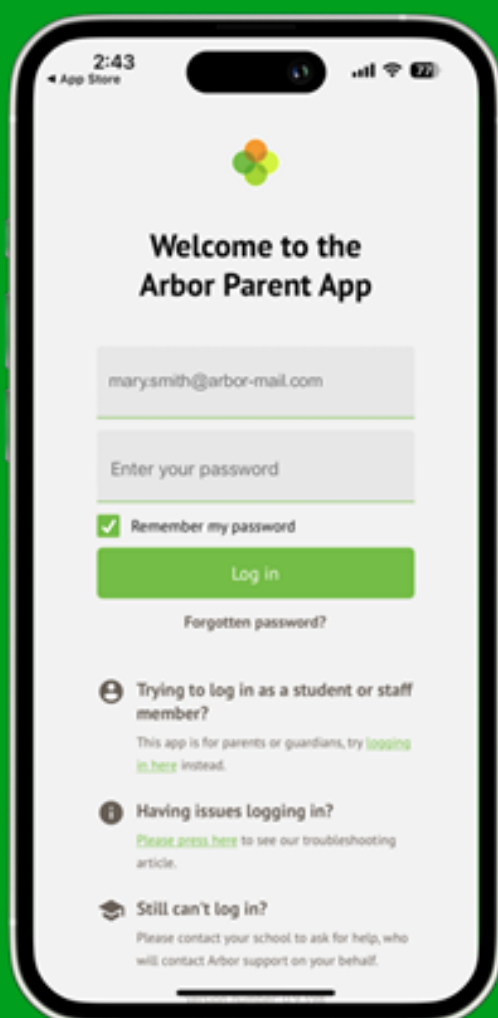
John mowed his lawn.
The day had turned to dawn.

Wesley Parrin (11)

University Academy Long Sutton, Spalding

We're using the Arbor Parent App! From September

See and manage your child's day-to-day school information. Understand their progress, make payments and bookings, and receive in-app messages - all from one app



Log in in seconds with Face ID

Receive in-app messages and reminders on your phone

Make payments

See your child's progress, attendance, behaviour points

Check your child's calendar, it's always up-to-date

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