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Dear Parents & Carers

As we head rapidly towards the end of term, we wanted to share with you the information that you will need for the start of the new academic year and to inform you about staff who will leave us this year.

Summer holidays

School will close for the Summer holidays at 3.00pm on Friday 11th July.

New Academic Year 2025/2026

Attached are the Term Dates for 2025/2026.

School re-opens for the new academic year for students on Thursday 28th August.

All year groups will start at 8.40am on the first day back. Students should be in school no later than 8.35am.

School will finish at 3.10pm for all year groups.

A reminder of the new timings of the School Day are below:

School day – 2025/2026

8:40am	Registration	9:00am
9:00am	Period 1	10:00am
10:00am	Period 2	11:05am
11:05am	Break	11:25am
11:25am	Period 3	12:25pm
12:25pm	Lunch	1:05pm
1:05pm	Period 4	2:05pm
2:05pm	Period 5	3:10pm

Information we need from you before the end of term

Each year we are required to collect information regarding any allergies or special dietary requirements your child may have so that our Catering provider, Caterlink can plan their menus accordingly.

If you haven't yet completed the 2025 Allergen and Dietary requirements form please click here.- <https://forms.office.com/e/SVsUPUA5eJ> If your child does not have any allergens or dietary requirements please indicate this on the form.

Uniform

The up to date Uniform list can also be found attached. Please ensure that your child is wearing the correct uniform and PE kit.

Could we draw your attention to the PE Kit and remind you that students must have moulded stud football boots for PE on the 3G pitch and grass fields.

If you are purchasing new uniform you may want to check out our Uniform Swap and Sale Facebook page first. [Wreake Valley and Roundhill Academy Uniform Swap Shop and Sales | Facebook](#)

The Facebook group is proving to be very popular with parents who have good quality uniform that no longer fits their child; some choose to gift the uniform others ask a small price for it. Parents also put requests on the page for specific items. It is definitely worth a look!

If you are ordering items from Price & Buckland, the deadline for ordering to guarantee you receive your order before the start of term is **Friday 1st August**.

Please ensure that you label every item of uniform clearly with your child's name.

Equipment

For students to be successful in their learning they need to come to school each day with the right equipment. Please ensure your child has a pencil case with the following compulsory items:

- A school bag that will fit all your equipment plus an A4 folder
- A reading book
- A refillable water bottle
- Student ID Card (Cashless card)

- A Casio scientific calculator for maths and science - *We recommend the Casio fx83GT-CW for students in years 7, 8 and 9. For students in other year groups we recommend Casio fx991-CW – see links at the bottom of this email*
- Two pens (blue or black) for writing in your exercise books
- A pink pen for responding to teacher's feedback
- Two HB pencils
- A ruler, rubber and pencil sharpener
- Coloured pencil crayons – not felt tips
- A pencil case
- A small note book to jot down things you need to remember

Staff Farewells

We have a number of staff leaving us this summer some to start new careers; three of our Learning Support Assistants- Gregory River JR, Heather Lattimore and Priti Karsan are either going into a teaching role or starting their teacher training. Whilst others are at the end of their careers and taking retirement; Fatima Benbekhti, Learning Support Assistant and Jeanette Knowles, SENDCo and Head of Bradgate Inclusion Centre finally gets to retire! Jeanette tried to retire in February but came back to support the SEND team until our new Head of Inclusion, Laura Pennifold takes up her post. We have really appreciated Jeanette's support and we know that parents have too.

Also leaving us is Lisa Stevens, Head of Social Sciences. Miss Stevens has been at Wreake for over 15 years and is moving to a career in Primary education.

We wish all of the staff leaving us the very best of luck in their new roles. We are sure that you will join us in thanking them for the hard work and dedication they have shown your children.

We are excited to be welcoming the following new staff when we return to school in August:

Amy Perrett	Teacher of English
Andrew Hart	Teacher of Math
Chloe-Mae Hurst	Teacher of Science
George Rawlings	Teacher of PE
Joanna Foster	Learning Support Assistant
Laura Pennifold	Head of Inclusion

Leighton Morgan	Teacher of DT
Lucy Renwick	Senior SEN Learning Support Assistant
Neil MacDougall	Deputy Head
Ruby Lucas	Teacher of PE

This week we will be running our end of term rewards trips; Years 7, 8 and 9 are off to Hunstanton and Years 10 & 12 to Alton Towers. Final arrangements for the trips have been emailed to you separately.

We hope that you all have a lovely Summer break and we look forward to seeing all our students safely back with us on 28th August 2025.

Kind regards



Ben Rackley
Headteacher

Useful Links can be found below:

Links for Calculators - We have put links to WHSmith for calculators whilst they may not be the most competitive on price they are reputable and we have found this year that some students have ordered calculators from Amazon and they are fake and give incorrect answers to some questions. If you are purchasing a calculator we recommend that you get one from a high street store.

Years 7, 8 and 9

https://www.whsmith.co.uk/Product/CASIO-FX-83GT-CW-Scientific-Calculator-Black/15464947?_gl=1*k7lfc6*_up*MQ..*_ga*MTk4MjYyODk4OC4xNzQ5MTE5NzY3*_ga_9YDXQFM2GM*cze3NDkxMTE3NjckbzEkZzAkdDE3NDkxMTE3NjckajYwJGwwJGgxNDc3NjlyNjY3

Other year groups

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