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Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope this letter finds you well and that your children are excited for the last few weeks of their Year 7 at Callerton Academy!

Thank you to 7A and 7C who had the first Parents and Carers' meetings this week with 7B and 7D next week on Monday and Wednesday respectively.

Parent and Carer Questionnaire Feedback

Thank you to all of you who completed the parent questionnaire at our Parent and Carer event in May and online after the event. We had a great response. You can see the results from the questionnaire [here](#).

FSM vouchers for over the Summer Holidays

If your child is in receipt of Free School Meals at school, you will receive a £90 voucher over the Summer break to cover the cost of a meal per day. You will receive the voucher via email and you can select which supermarket to use it at, whichever is best for you. At Callerton Academy, we use a company called Wonde to provide these vouchers for parents. Here is a [Youtube video](#) that walks you through what you should receive. The system is easy to use with clear instructions on the email that will be sent to you in the last week of term.

I Think our Family Might be Eligible for Free School Meals

If you think that your family might be eligible for free school meals, follow this [link](#) to apply. It's all based on the council website and very easy to do. If you need any help or support with this process, please call us on 0191 605 3835. Remember, there is no

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judgement from us or anyone at the council if you get this benefit, it's confidential and remember this support is there to help!

Newcastle's Best Summer Ever 2022

This summer holidays there are lots of activities happening in the city for children aged 4-16. It will be called Newcastle's Best Summer Ever 2022. I have been assured that the website for information will be live from Monday, and as soon as we get this link, we will send you a text so that you can book the activities for your children. Most activities are free and all activities are free for children on free school meals.

Update Transport Passes for September 2022

For the over half of our students who have used public transport this year, it's time to renew your free transport passes. This can be done online by following this [link](#). The passes will come into school on the first day in September and we will distribute them to students then.

Last Day of Term

Our last day of this term (and our first year – wow!) is Friday 22nd June 2022. As usual at the end of the term, school finishes at 12pm. On Friday morning, Miss Anderson will be working with all students to make sure that they have picked enough reading books from the school library for the summer holidays.

Start of Next Term September 2022 – The start of Year 8!

A reminder that the start of next term for students is Tuesday 6th September 2022, normal start time of 8:45am.

Lunchtime Next Year for Year 8s

Next year, we will split lunchtime at Callerton, so that Year 7 will be on first lunch, with Year 8 on second lunch. This means that the students will still have all the outdoor and indoor space to themselves for lunchtime. To accommodate this, lunch

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for Year 8 will be later than it is now, so students need to make sure that they bring a break-time snack into school.

Rugby Trip to Newcastle Falcons Part 2 – Thursday 14th July 2022

A reminder that we have our second trip to the Newcastle Falcons next Thursday 14th July. We cannot wait to go as our last trip was so successful and, as expected, the students were wonderful, impressing all of the Falcon's staff. I had comments from staff such as 'these students are the best, we're so glad you've come!' Students need to come into school in their PE kit for Thursday and bring a packed lunch. Those students in receipt of free school meals will be provided with a packed lunch. As usual, students need to bring a water bottle to school for the day.

Yellow Week – NUFC, STEM and Careers Extravaganza!

For the last week of term (Monday to Thursday), we have our week of visits to the new NUCASTLE building, St James' Park and sessions in school with the NUFC staff. Here's a reminder of the full information from Mr McCloskey:

From Monday 18th- Thursday 22nd July our students will be working with staff from Newcastle United Foundation taking part in a range of activities across four days. Students will take part in sessions based on STEM (science, technology, engineering and maths), business and enterprise, careers and physical education.

These activities will take place across 3 sites, Callerton Academy, NUCASTLE (home of Newcastle United foundation) and St. James Park stadium. When travel is necessary, we will be walking to NUCASTLE and St. James Park, both sites are approximately 15 minute walk from Callerton Academy.

We have been granted great access to the new facilities on offer at NUCASTLE. Students will get the opportunity to develop teamwork and personal skills during each session.

All students must come to school in their full PE uniform for the trip, including PE shoes. This includes: blue PE t-shirt, PE shorts, tights or tracksuit bottoms. We also encourage children to bring sunscreen as we will be outside for the majority of the day. We will have lunch on site each day, so please provide your child with a healthy packed lunch and a

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drink (we will provide packed lunches for those on free school meals). Students will need their planners, pencil cases, and their water bottles in their schoolbags.

Students will be following the PRAISE code rules whilst they are on the trip, with the same expectations of excellent behaviour as we have in school.

Yours faithfully,



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