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Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to everyone after what I hope was a lovely spring holiday. We have now been back into the swing of school for two weeks, and as you would expect, there's lots of reading, hard work in lessons alongside exciting careers and extra-curricular provision happening every Tuesday and Wednesday. Make sure you're keeping up with all that's going on at Callerton on our Facebook and Instagram pages.

Callerton Academy Charity Week Totals

Before the holidays, we had our annual Callerton Academy Charity Week, which was a huge success. There are a few headlines that I'd like to share with you from this week.

The Callerton Community:

- Have raised over £1500 (with more money to come in),
- Have donated 562 hours of their time and 28 crates of food,
- Have collected over 50 bin bags of rubbish, and
- Have walked 3840 miles.

A fantastic achievement by all in our community. Congratulations Callerton!

The Lost Teenagers - A Resounding Success

Since we opened in 2021, we have had a partnership with New Writing North, who are an arts charity who champion participation in the arts for everyone in the community. Professionals from New Writing North work in our school alongside students in small group work, in lessons, in 7Up and after school doing lots of

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activities such as choir, writing workshops, Rap club, play writing etc. etc. And with the latter, play writing, Callerton Academy students and New Writing North wrote a play called The Lost Teenagers, which they performed at Northern Stage before Easter with huge success. I was so proud of our students and their incredible abilities. I, of course, cannot do justice to this fantastic project in this letter, so please watch [this](#) video which shows off all their hard work and talent! Well done everyone involved.

Vouchers for Free School Meals over the Holidays

If your child is in receipt of Free School Meals at school, you will receive a £15 voucher 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 and carers. The system is easy to use with clear instructions on the email, which you'll receive nearer the holidays.

If you think that your family should be in receipt of free school meals, please visit the Newcastle City Council website [here](#) to apply. If you need support, please contact Miss Robson on admin@callertonacademy.org.uk or call reception on 0191 605 3835.

Year 10 Study Sessions

The Year 10 study sessions, which started last week, have been a very well attended by Year 10 and supported by staff. We have had over two thirds of Year 10 attending sessions. These students have been very impressive in their attitude and commitment to independent study, which will support their upcoming mocks and ultimately their GCSEs next year.

Broadband and Phone Packages Social Tariffs

Ofcom (the communications regulator in the UK) have information on social tariffs, which are cheaper packages available to households where there are certain benefits claimed, such as Universal credit. Please see their website [here](#) for more information.

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New School Update

The new school is coming along very well, and we cannot wait for its doors to open in September. We have another update on progress for you [here](#).

Yours faithfully,



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