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Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope this letter finds you, your family and friends well. As we come to the end of this academic term, I reflect on what's been achieved by students and staff here at Callerton Academy. We've just had charity week, where we've given our time, money and effort to two charities that are active in our local area. The whole school walk, as expected, was a triumph because our students represented our school very well in our fabulous city. Alongside the extraordinary trips, visits and special events, I am always proud of the day-to-day hard work and learning that happens in our classrooms.

I only have a few notices for you in this letter.

Vouchers for Free School Meals over the Holidays

If your child is in receipt of Free School Meals at school, you will receive a £30 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. You should receive your email this week.

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.

Charity Week Thanks from Mrs Jones and Mrs Brown

A big thank you for your support for Callerton Academy's charity week. Students were a credit to themselves and their families. In the next letter we will be able to share the final totals of time volunteered, food given and money donated after we've been able to count everything! Our charity partners Action for children at the

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Galafield Centre and the Newbiggin Hall Foodbank are thrilled with Callerton's efforts. Newcastle City Council, and the Galafield Centre were overwhelmed by the hard work at this year's litter pick, with even more bags collected than last year. Well done Callerton!

Cheaper Activities during the Holiday

Having children off school for holidays, can often feel like it's going to be expensive. The website 'Which' have created a good guide [here](#), that suggests affordable and free ideas for the family during this holiday.

Change of Senior Staffing

Today, we say goodbye to Mr. Gilford, our Vice Principal, who is leaving Callerton Academy to become Headteacher at a school in London. He will be replaced by Miss Swain, who comes to us from Gosforth Junior High Academy. I know you will join me to say a fond farewell and thank you to Mr. Gilford and a big welcome to Miss Swain.

Thank you

This has been a long term. I know that the students and staff alike are tired and in need of rest. I hope that this break allows you all at home to spend time together and to get some well-deserved down time. I look forward to welcoming students back to school on Monday 28th April at 8:30am. Thank you for your continued support.

Yours faithfully,



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