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Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope this newsletter finds you and your families well. Callerton Academy is full steam ahead with hard work in the classroom, reading every night and exciting learning opportunities.

I have quite a few notices for you this week, please read through to the end. Also, check out our Facebook page [here](#) and our Instagram page [here](#) to see what's happening at Callerton Academy day-to-day.

Year 8 Immunisations in May – Notice from Mrs Whitaker

The next immunisation programme for school aged children is the HPV campaign for Year 8. This will happen on 9th May in school. Mrs Whitaker will send out a letter to all Year 8 parents/carers to complete e-consent so that your child can be immunised. Please can I encourage you to complete this consent as quickly as possible.

Year 10 Parent and Carer Evening

We are delighted that our next Year 10 Parent and Carer Evenings are face to face. They will be based at Callerton Academy and appointments can be made via SchoolCloud. We will send details to you soon so that appointments can be made.

The dates for the evenings are as follows:

- Thursday 3rd April 4pm – 6pm, for forms 10A and 10C
- Monday 7th April 4pm – 6pm, for forms 10B and 10D

We have specifically scheduled these evenings to follow directly on from data that includes up to date predicted GCSE grades that will be released to students and parents on 20th March 2025. We hope it provides an opportunity for teachers to provide timely feedback and advice which will prepare students well for their Y10 trial examinations in June. We strongly encourage you to attend.

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Year 9 into 10 Curriculum Information Evening

We were delighted to welcome our Year 9 students and parents/carers to our curriculum evening on Tuesday. Students in Year 9 will now begin to finalise their option choices for next year; this process will be completed before the end of this term. Our curriculum information booklet, the options lists and a copy of the presentation can be found [here](#) on our website. Please encourage your child to speak to subject teachers and other school staff if they have any questions.

Charity Week Information – Notice from Mrs Jones

At Callerton our students want to give back to the community, and last year, our School Parliament came up with the idea of having a Callerton Academy charity week. The aims are to improve our local community, take part in charity work and do some good for the environment. We are pleased to announce that after such a successful charity week last year that it is back for 2025! This will take place from Saturday 29th March to Friday 4th April.

During charity week Callerton Academy students and staff will be collecting food, raising money, being charitable with their time and taking on a 10km walking challenge to build a better future for our communities.

We'll be sending you a letter with more information and we encourage you to keep an eye on our Facebook and Instagram pages for more updates.

Amendments to Term Times for Moving into the New School

As you will know, we will be in our exciting new home next academic year in Westerhope. We have had a wonderful four years on our temporary site and have a lot of resources to move and need some additional time to prepare for the next school year. With this in mind, we have made some amendments to the end of this academic year and the start of next academic year.

This year, the last day of school will be Wednesday 16th July; school will finish at the normal time of 3.30pm. It will now be closed to students on Thursday 17th and Friday 18th July.

Next academic year (2025/2026), the first day of school for our new Year 7 cohort will be Wednesday 3rd September. All other year groups will then start on Thursday 4th September. This is a change to what has been previously advertised.

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Advance Notice - End of Term, Friday 11th April – School to close at 12:45pm

Please note that school will finish at 12.45pm on Friday 11th April; this is different from the previous 12pm time. The school coach and the Scholars Buses will be in operation to take children home at this time. All end of term early finishes will now be at 12.45pm.

Advance Notice – Changes to Detention for the end of Term

As usual, due to the school term finishing on Friday 11th April at 12.45pm, detentions will move to the following:

Missed detention – Wednesday 9th April instead of Thursday

Detention – Thursday 10th April instead of Friday

Police Cadets Advertisement

We have been made aware of an opportunity for our Year 8 and 9 students to apply to join the volunteer police cadet scheme starting in September 2025. Further information can be found [here](#) on their website. This is a great opportunity for new experiences and opportunities for our young people.

Absence for Religious Celebrations

Many families in our communities are currently observing Ramadan. In light of this, we wanted to remind parents that if your child will be absent from school to celebrate Eid, please can you contact school on the morning as you would for any other absence. We will not be able to authorise the absence if we do not hear from parents/carers on the day.

Scholars Buses

I wanted to note the sporadic disturbance to the scholars' buses. The buses have been delayed twice in the last term. This is not what we expect, and we are in conversation with Nexus to ensure that they inform the school, so that we can in turn inform families about this in good time as necessary. Thank you for the huge number of parents and carers that ring in to inform us about issues.

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Finally, thank you for your continued support. We have a number of exciting trips, performances and our charity week to look forward to before end of this term.

Yours faithfully,



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