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## End of Term 1

I write to you at the end of a productive first half term as Principal of Amington. Many thanks to all of you who have taken the opportunity to contribute to the Academy, whether this be through attending a parents' evening, speaking to me at the regular Friday morning Principal's drop-in, supporting our students in sporting events and performances, or by ensuring that your child is completing homework every night. Together we can make this an outstanding place to learn.

At the end of each half term, I believe it's important to communicate with families regarding the agenda for the upcoming new term and there are lots of exciting opportunities for students when they return from the October break which include:

- Careers workshops for Years 8, 9 and 10
- Skills show at the NEC for Years 8 and 9
- Year 10 Oxford University residential
- Options evening for Year 9
- Year 7 Sporting Events

In addition to the wonderful opportunities outlined above, in the new term we enter an important assessment phase for Year 7 and 9, and in December we have the second round of mock examinations for Year 11. These mock examinations are crucial to enable our teachers to identify how best to ensure that all of our Year 11 students achieve their full potential.

It is important to highlight at this point that the Academy expects perfect conduct in all examinations whether they be mock examinations, classroom assessments or external GCSE examinations. Disruption to any examination or assessment will be dealt with severely and in consultation with the families concerned.

The new term will see the commencement of compulsory Period 6 lessons for all Year 11 students which will run 15:00-16:00 each day. Timetables will be shared with students after the break.

The Academy uniform policy remains unchanged for the new term: any student in trainers or wearing incorrect uniform will not be allowed into lessons until the issue is resolved. The Academy maintains a stock of new spare uniform which your child will be expected to wear in the event that they arrive wearing anything other than the basic expectations outlined on our website. As I'm sure you can understand, we do not make exceptions and if any families require financial assistance due to extreme circumstances the Academy will support wherever possible.

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With regards to the school site, a recent safeguarding review highlighted the dangerous speed at which some cars are driven on our Academy grounds. We all have a duty of care to ensure that we do not exceed 5mph, do not double-park on the roundabout, and that we do not block the disabled parking spaces. It is important that we act with courtesy to one another, particularly at the busiest times of the day.

At the end of the next half term, I hope to communicate with you via our new parent app which is currently under consultation and will be launched shortly. In the meantime, if you have any questions or queries please contact the relevant Progress Leader for your child's year group which are as follows:

Year 7 Mr M Lacey, [mlacey@lfata.org.uk](mailto:mlacey@lfata.org.uk)

Year 8 Miss K Ironside, [kironside@lfata.org.uk](mailto:kironside@lfata.org.uk)

Year 9 Miss J Lawrence, [jlawrence@lfata.org.uk](mailto:jlawrence@lfata.org.uk)

Year 10 Mrs K Mason, [kmason@lfata.org.uk](mailto:kmason@lfata.org.uk)

Year 11 Miss A Brennan, [abrennan@lfata.org.uk](mailto:abrennan@lfata.org.uk)

As always, I will be available every Friday morning 09:00-10:30 to discuss any issues directly with you, and also to listen to ideas as to how we can further improve the school for your child.

I hope you have a lovely half term break whilst ensuring your child completes an appropriate amount of homework!

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'A Deen', written in a cursive style.

**Mr A Deen**  
**Principal**