

28th November 2025

Dear Parent/Carer,

We began this fortnight with a wonderful act of community spirit as students completed the planting of daffodil bulbs for Marie Curie, a project that will bring a burst of colour to our grounds in the spring while supporting an important charity. Our focus on giving continued with Children in Need, and I would like to thank all our parents and carers for supporting our Non-Uniform Day on Friday 14th November. Together, we raised a fantastic £500. This theme of kindness carries forward as we look ahead to the Year 7 Sponsored Tinsel Tree Trot. In preparation, we were delighted to welcome Dove House Hospice into school, where representatives shared the vital work they do in our community — inspiring our learners as they prepare to raise funds for this important cause.

We have also recognised Road Safety Week across the Academy, with assemblies focusing on safe travel, bike-light giveaways and helmet-awareness sessions delivered in partnership with East Riding Council.

Sporting success

It has been a strong fortnight of sport across the Academy. Our rugby teams produced excellent performances, with Year 7 making a positive start to their season, Year 8 securing a convincing win, and Year 9 showing impressive determination in a closely contested match.

Our football teams also continued to shine. The Year 7 and 9 boys teams progressed to the East Riding Plate semi-finals, while the Year 8 boys qualified for the East Riding 7-a-side Finals after going unbeaten in their tournament. The Year 11 boys also earned their place in the Finals following a committed and disciplined group performance. In addition, our Year 7 and 8 girls' football team enjoyed an exceptional day at the Tigers Trust Arena, finishing as tournament winners after a deserved victory in the final.

Careers education and aspirational learning

Learners across the Academy have enjoyed a vibrant programme of careers and aspiration activities. Our Year 9 cohort took part in an exciting STEM Day at the MKM Stadium, meeting employers such as BP and KCOM and engaging in hands-on activities that showcased the breadth of opportunities in STEM industries. This built on their earlier Cyber Splicing Workshop, which strengthened their understanding of digital safety and emerging technologies. Year 9 learners also welcomed Hull College for an informative introduction to T Levels, supporting them as they begin to consider their Year 10 options.

A group of ten learners also attended an inspiring multi-agency careers event at the MKM Stadium, taking part in a wide range of practical activities with the Army, Fire & Rescue and other services, alongside creative opportunities such as DJ'ing on the Beat Bus. The day provided valuable insight into teamwork, problem-solving and a variety of future careers.

Meanwhile, our Year 10 and 11 Health & Social Care learners took part in practical workshops at Wilberforce College, gaining valuable insight into Hair & Beauty and Health Care pathways. In addition, 81 of our Year 11 learners attended the Bishop Burton College Careers and Apprenticeship Fair, receiving excellent feedback for their maturity, engagement and conduct.

Parent/Carer guidance for First Aid in the Academy

Parents/carers are asked not to send children to school for first aid treatment. Instead, if a child is ill or injured prior to coming to school, parents should first seek appropriate advice and/or treatment from a medical professional (e.g. GP, Nurse, A&E). Our school protocols are for handling emergency medical situations on-site, involving trained first aiders. The school will provide initial first aid and then contact parents to determine the next steps, which may include the child going home and/or the parent seeking professional medical advice.

Much to look forward to

We are very much looking forward to welcoming back the Hedon Mixed Voice Choir on 9th December at 7.30pm, with some of our talented musicians performing alongside them. Preparations are also well underway for our traditional Christmas Service at St Augustine's, followed the next evening by our all-new and highly anticipated Christmas Extravaganza here at the Academy.

Finally, I would like to express how incredibly proud we were of all our learners during the adverse weather conditions last Thursday. Their calmness, resilience and respectful approach were exemplary, reflecting our values throughout.

Some key dates detailed below:

Key Dates	
Year 7 – Dove House Tinsel Tree Trot	Thursday 4 th December
Year 11 Parents' Evening	Thursday 11 th December
Traditional Christmas Service St Augustine's	Tuesday 16 th December
Christmas Extravaganza	Wednesday 17 th December
Christmas Dinner Day & Christmas Jumper Day	Thursday 18 th December
Last Day of Term – All students will depart at 1.30pm	Friday 19 th December
Christmas Holidays	Monday 22 nd December – Friday 2 nd January
Academy closed to all students	Monday 5 th January
Academy reopens to all students	Tuesday 6 th January

As always, thank you for your continued support.

Yours faithfully,



Mr N Holder
Headteacher