



Friday 14 November 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you had a good week and this letter finds you well. Thank you for your support with the adjusted arrangements at the end of the school day today, following the road closures caused by flooding. Bedford Borough school transport are not currently expecting any issues on Monday. However, we will continue to monitor the forecast, liaise with school transport over the weekend and communicate any updates via email.

This week at Lincroft Academy

We joined schools across the country to take part in **Anti-Bullying Week**, celebrating this year's theme – *"Power for Good."* We invited everyone to join **Odd Socks Day on Monday**, and it was wonderful to see so many students participating.

Our whole school community came together, joined by Oakley Primary Academy, to observe a 2-minute silence of **Remembrance** on Tuesday. It was a powerful moment of reflection, remembrance and community. Thank you to our Site Assistant, Miss Nutting, who played The Last Post. I was joined by our Head Students and House Captains at the Oakley war memorial on Tuesday afternoon with Mr Brown (Headteacher, Oakley Primary) and the Oakley Primary Academy Student Parliament, to lay a wreath.

Our **Year 11** students made a fantastic start to the written **mock exam** series. We are very proud of their approach; they are well prepared, mature and determined to be the best they can be. Their exams continue next week.

Some **CARE Council** students attended the **Bedfordshire Voice of the Child Conference**. Students took part in workshops, listened to guest speakers, and engaged in discussions focused on wellbeing, inclusion, and youth participation. The conference was a valuable opportunity for our students to contribute their voices towards shaping positive change within the wider Bedfordshire community. Our CARE Council were fantastic ambassadors.

It was a pleasure to welcome parents/carers of students in **Year 8 to parents evening** on Thursday. Thank you to all who attended.

Information from our Safeguarding Team

Anti-Bullying Week 2025

Bullying, unkindness and discrimination and derogatory language go against our CARE values of Community, Aspiration, Respect and Excellence. We teach children to value difference, speak kindly and stand up for others through our [Anti-bullying Charter](#). If a child shares a concern, we listen, take it seriously and act quickly. If you have any concerns, get in touch with the house office to keep us informed so we can help.



Community



Aspiration



Respect



Excellence



Alternatively, use the worried@lincroft.academy email to report concerns. Anti-Bullying Alliance → <https://anti-bullyingalliance.org.uk/tools-information/advice-parents>

Other information

Mobile phones

Mobile phones must not be seen or heard at Lincroft Academy, as outlined in section 3.6 of our [behaviour policy](#). Students may have their phones switched off in their bag, but phones must not be seen, heard or used on our school site, including before and after school. If a student needs to contact home during the school day, they can visit their house office at break or lunch time and staff will facilitate a phone call, where appropriate. We are reminding students that they must not carry their phone in their pockets or on their person; it must be in their bag. Phones can cause safeguarding concern and, additionally, can provide distraction and disruption to learning. In an exam, possession of a mobile phone is malpractice and can lead to disqualification. Please support us to promote good habits in school by reiterating these messages at home.

SHEU Survey

Students in **Years 8 and 10** will be participating in the SHEU survey. Please take the time to read a letter about this, [here](#).

Message from Bedford Borough SEND Team: BBPCF Annual Outcomes Survey 2025

The Bedford Borough Parent Career Forum have released their annual outcomes survey which they have carried out for the past 7 years. This survey is for parents/carers of young people (0–25) with SEND (whether diagnosed or not) who live in Bedford Borough or who access services in Bedford Borough (e.g. Health Service, Schools etc.). When we use the term 'local services' we mean the Local Authority, Integrated Care Board (ICB), and other Health Services. To complete the survey please use the link [here](#).

Looking ahead

Next week, Year 11 mock exams continue and, on Monday, performing arts students are attending the ACT Festival Rehearsals & Evening Performance.

Have a lovely weekend.

Yours faithfully



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Principal