



Friday 21 November 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope this message finds you well.

This week at Lincroft Academy

Following the wet weather last week, we now have very cold weather! I hope you are all managing to keep warm. Please do encourage students to bring their coats to school for break and lunch time.

Year 11 continued their mocks this week and the exams team have been very impressed by their approach. Well done Year 11! Miss Aliyu delivered house assemblies for interfaith week, focusing on community and respect for the beliefs of others. On Monday, Performing Arts students showcased their performance in the annual ACT! Festival at Bedford Modern School following the workshop led by professional actor Nav Sidhu in October.

Message from our Safeguarding Team: Digital Wellbeing – “Addictive by Design”

In last week's [Principal's Message](#), we shared reminders about our policy on mobile phones and what that means for students. This week, we're sharing a leaflet titled “*Addictive by Design*,” which explores how social media and digital platforms are intentionally created to keep users engaged, often for far longer than intended.

The leaflet highlights the effects of excessive screen time on young people's focus, academic performance, and mental health, and offers useful strategies for families to encourage more balanced online habits. We encourage all parents and carers to take a few minutes to [read the leaflet](#) and discuss key messages with your child. Small changes can make a big difference in helping young people develop healthy, mindful relationships with technology. Thank you for continuing to support our expectations that phones must not be seen or heard around the Academy.

Other information

Safe car travel to school

With the arrival of the cold weather, there can be more parents/carers using cars to bring children to and from school. We always encourage students to walk, where possible, even just part of the way and they are picked up further from the Academy.

If driving is unavoidable, please do so safely and with consideration to our neighbours, by ensuring that driveways are not blocked, yellow lines are not used as parking spots and engines are switched off, rather than idling. The road next to the school, Flax Close, is private and must not be used for turning, waiting, dropping off or collecting.



Community



Aspiration



Respect



Excellence



The incident in Clapham on Monday in which a student pedestrian was sadly hit by a car further highlights the importance of road safety. Thankfully, the student is recovering well. Please do park safely and with consideration to our neighbours. As always, we work closely with the local authority enforcement team and the community police team to keep our community as safe as possible. We have planned to deliver road safety awareness sessions during tutor time next week.

Amethyst House

Mrs Buckley-Theed has now returned from maternity leave, however Miss Anning will continue permanently as Senior Tutor for [Amethyst house](#).

In case you missed it: Christmas Dinner 2025

Christmas Dinner Day is taking place on Friday 12 December. We are also supporting Save The Children Christmas Jumper Day on the same day. For more information and to pre-order your child's Christmas meal, please use the links in the letter sent to you earlier this week [here](#). The deadline for ordering a meal has been extended to Thursday 27 November.

Winter Showcase

Our Winter Showcase is taking place on 1 December at 6:30pm, and tickets are available to purchase on MCAS. More details can be found [here](#).

Next week

Next week, Year 9 Health and Social Care students are visiting Milton Ernest Care Home on Monday and, on Wednesday, it is the Meridian Trust Maths Challenge at Sawtry Village Academy. Student ambassadors are at the Secondary Pupil Voice Conference on Tuesday and Anti-Bullying Ambassador training (Diana Award) on Thursday. On Friday, some of our ARC students visit Bedford College. A busy week ahead!

Have a lovely weekend.

Yours faithfully



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Principal