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Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope this letter finds you well and that 2025 has started positively for your family. As we approach the halfway point of this term, I would like to update you on some important matters and events happening within our school community.

Academic Progress:

It's been a busy and productive term so far, with our students engaging in various learning opportunities inside and outside the classroom. Students have been making excellent academic progress, and I commend them for their hard work and dedication.

For our Year 11 students, we have launched a new Saturday Intervention Programme, and students have been working hard to prepare for their examinations. As always, if you have any concerns about your child's academic progress, please do not hesitate to contact their teachers or form tutors.

Upcoming Events:

We have several exciting events planned for the remainder of the term. Year 11 has mock exams, and Year 8's Parents' Evening is **on 18th March**. We also have many extracurricular activities and educational visits. Please support our students to ensure they participate in these activities.

Visits from Special Guests:

We were honoured to have some special guests visit Little Ilford School this half term. For our World of Work day, thirty business professionals ran workshops with our Year 10 students, which they thoroughly enjoyed. One guest mentioned that she would already take some of our students on for internships as she was so impressed with them.

Parental Involvement:

We greatly value the partnership between home and school in supporting the education and development of our students. I want to thank all parents and carers for your continued support and involvement in your child's education. Thank you to all the parents who joined me, in person and online, for our Mission Statement Workshop. Your contribution is greatly appreciated.

We recently held a FLIS (Friends of Little Ilford School) meeting. Our school officer PC Nathan presented [a video on the theme of joint enterprise](#) that explored how easy it is for children to become involved in incidents. He explained what they should do in these circumstances (tell an adult and leave the area). He also discussed ideas about staying safe in the community and referred to issues online via social media.



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Our next event in the Summer will be:-

- Online Security and Social Media
- Using learning platforms for parents: Century and Sparx Maths

If you have any suggestions of themes you would like us to present, please let the school know at info@littleilford.org, subject line FLIS.

Communication:

Effective communication between home and school is vital for our students' success. If you have any questions, concerns, or feedback, contact us at info@littleilford.org. Additionally, please ensure you regularly check our school website and social media channels for important updates and announcements.

Holiday food vouchers:

We are pleased to advise Newham Council has again decided to allocate funding from the Department for Work and Pensions Household Support Fund to schools to provide food vouchers to children eligible for free school meals for the February half term. The Council has decided to issue a grant payment to all Infant, Junior, Primary and Secondary Schools in Newham in line with the approach taken for previous school holidays. The funding will cover food voucher costs for children from Reception to Year 11 who are currently receiving statutory (benefits related) Free School Meals (FSM), to cover the five days of the February half term holiday period. In line with the approach taken for the previous vouchers issued by the school, we will send £15 vouchers for the half term break through text and/or email using Wonde. The vouchers will be sent out on the last day of term.

Newham half-term activities:

Please click on this [link](#) to find out more.

Thank you once again for your ongoing support and cooperation. Together, we can make this term a successful and rewarding experience for all our students.

I wish you a relaxing and enjoyable mid-term break. We look forward to welcoming all our students back **on 24th February**. Please remember that we have a breakfast club, which is free for students who have free school meals. Students can attend from 7:45 a.m.

Yours sincerely,

Andrew Finn
Headteacher