



# LITTLEPORT AND EAST CAMBS ACADEMY

*An Active Learning Trust School*

Friday 7<sup>th</sup> October 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been a calm week at the academy as the warmer weather has returned and it has been lovely to talk with students at lunchtime as they enjoy the sunshine! It has been great to watch the re-launch of the LECA House system and that students are enjoying these community activities with Kahoot and Language competitions this week and a House Quiz planned in the LRC next week. Thanks to the Heads of Houses for organising these and for Mrs Webb's feedback below. We are also delighted to hear that our uniform supplier now have ties back in stock and Mrs Hedges has been busy distributing those that have been pre-ordered.

We hope to welcome an Ofsted monitoring visit any week now as it has been six months since the inspection prior to my arrival in March 2022 and we are keen to demonstrate the progress that we have made in school improvement. In the meantime, we have commissioned an external review focused on the Quality of Education which will take place Monday next week (10<sup>th</sup> October 2022) which will be conducted by Roy Blatchford CBE, Georgina Ellis, Director of SEND and Stephen Astley, Executive Director of Secondary from the Unity Schools Partnership. This will provide invaluable feedback about our progress to date and next steps. I look forward to sharing the headlines from this review once I have received the report.

## **Open Evening, Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> October 2022**

We continue to make preparations for this exciting annual event and are looking forward to showcasing all that "New LECA" has to offer. If your child would like to participate as a tour guide or subject ambassador, please ensure you have signed their permission slips. If they have mislaid this letter, additional copies can be collected from reception. A gentle reminder that the academy will be closing at 2pm on this day so that staff and students can prepare for the event commencing at 4pm. Students will be expected to leave school site at this time but please do liaise with Jo Hedges ([Jo.Hedges@lecacademy.org](mailto:Jo.Hedges@lecacademy.org)) if you are concerned that this provides challenges for your child's usual transportation home or safeguarding.

## **Events for Parents**

It was lovely to meet with our regular group of parents for this week's Coffee Morning and we would welcome the opportunity for more families to join these. The final event this half term, scheduled for Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> October, will have a slightly revised time of 10:00-11:00am due to the daily tours we will be conducting for families wishing to visit classrooms as part of our Open Mornings (please book here for tours: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/open-morning-tours-tickets-433513128437>). There will also be a further Parent Working Party meeting Monday 17<sup>th</sup> October 6-7pm where Mrs Starling would like to consult with parents regarding academic reporting formats and how we can help parents gain a greater understanding of your child's academic profile and progress during their time at LECA.

## **Academic Progress Review, Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> October (1:30-4:30pm)**

Further to Mrs Starling's letter about this important event, please ensure you book your appointment to meet with your child's tutor using the email link you have been sent. As previously advertised (16<sup>th</sup> September 2022), there will be a shortened school day from 12:20pm to facilitate these appointments.

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## **House Competitions this week (from Head of House, Mrs Webb)**

This week we had a really enjoyable and energetic Kahoot 'kompetition' with a children's literature theme, organised and led by Dennyson D (Year 11) and Zoe E (Year 10). Just under 40 students attended with representatives from every year group present! Fawcett dominated for most of the questions. However, the ultimate winners were Kahlo's Emmy, Sophie and Bryony in Year 11. There was a genuinely lovely atmosphere a great competitive spirit in the room! Congratulations to all involved.

## **Year 11 Intervention update (from Mr Townsend, KS4 Progress Leader)**

We hope that your son/daughter is continuing to attend the intervention sessions that have been in place since September at both lunchtime and after school which are open to all students. In addition to these, next week, we will be sending out letters for those students selected for the first cycle of, 'Targeted Interventions' which will run until Christmas. We will review these lists following the next set of mock exams so we can ensure a wider number of students can access these opportunities for smaller groups. Next week we will also be confirming some opportunities for Year 11 sessions during October half term in English, Maths, Science and Design & Technology to provide further support. If you have any questions regarding these, please contact your child's tutor or myself via e-mail: [shaun.townsend@lecacademy.org](mailto:shaun.townsend@lecacademy.org).

Wishing your families a restful weekend.

Yours sincerely, Lauren Phillips (Ms)  
**Principal**

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