



TARLETON
ACADEMY

Headteacher: Mr S Parker

Thursday 3rd April 2025

Dear Parents/Carers,

End of Spring Term Updates

As we bring the term to a close, I also reflect on a personal milestone - this week marks the end of my first full year as Headteacher at Tarleton Academy. It has been a privilege to meet so many members of our school community, and I want to extend my sincere thanks to all the families who have offered their support as we have worked together to bring our vision and values to life. Over the past year, we have achieved so much as a school, including the introduction of a new framework for teaching and learning, a refreshed approach to rewards and celebration, and a renewed focus on behaviour through our *Climate for Learning* policy. We have significantly expanded opportunities and enrichment for students, launched a Personal Development curriculum, invested in SEND support, strengthened our presence in the community, and, above all, focused on making Tarleton Academy a place where students feel happy, valued, and that they truly belong.

Tomorrow marks the final day of the spring term, and students will be dismissed earlier than usual at 12:30. Please ensure appropriate arrangements are in place for their journey home, as school buses are scheduled to depart at this time. Grab-and-go lunches will be available for students entitled to free school meals and can be ordered through form tutors. After a well-deserved break for both students and staff, we look forward to welcoming everyone back on **Tuesday 22nd April**, at 08:45. As always, students are expected to return in full uniform, on time, and equipped with everything they need for learning. We appreciate the support of parents and carers in ensuring a smooth and prepared start to the new term.

As the term comes to an end, we say goodbye to several valued colleagues who are moving on to new opportunities. Mr Smith has secured a promoted post as Deputy Headteacher, while Mr Lucas will be taking up an Assistant Headteacher role in a new school. We also bid farewell to Mrs Hebbes and Mrs Ashton as they embark on new roles next term. We extend our heartfelt thanks to them for their dedication to our students during their time at Tarleton Academy and wish them every success in the future. As we return, we look forward to welcoming Mr McNamee to the leadership team as Assistant Headteacher for Personal Development, along with Miss Bailey as Curriculum Leader for History and Miss Picton as Curriculum Leader for PE.

The start of the new term promises to be a busy one with lots of activities planned in support of our fundraising campaign to raise funds for a new playground at Churchtown Primary School. In the first week back, we have a series of exciting fundraising events planned. On Wednesday 23rd April, a small number of staff and students will take part in the Churchtown Relay, covering 7 miles as part of a larger 47-mile relay. Then, on Friday 25th April, we will host three more events: **Pink for a Pound**, where students can wear a pink item of clothing for a £1 donation; **Dash for Cash**, a sponsored walk/jog around the school; and the **Colour Run**, which will take place after school and requires a minimum sponsorship or donation of £20. These events are a wonderful way for our community to come together in support of this meaningful cause, and we encourage everyone to get involved.



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As we begin the summer term, we enter the final full half-term in school for our Year 11 cohort - a significant milestone in their journey. This marks the start of the final countdown to their summer examinations, with the official exam window beginning within just three weeks of our return. The *Class of 2025* has shown remarkable dedication, resilience, and determination throughout the year, and we could not be prouder of their efforts. We have every confidence that their hard work will pay off. I know I speak for the entire school community when I say: *good luck, Year 11 - we believe in you, and we have no doubt that you will make us incredibly proud this summer.*

Key Dates for Summer Term

Return to School	Tuesday 22 nd April 2025
Year 10 Mock Exam Cycle	Thursday 24 th April – Thursday 1 st May 2025
Meet the Headteacher Event	Wednesday 30 th April 2025 (16:00 – 18:00)
School Closure: May Bank Holiday	Monday 5 th May 2025
Year 10 Work Experience	Week Commencing Monday 19 th May 2025
Break Up for May Half Term	Friday 23 rd May 2025 (15:15 - Normal Time)
Return Following May Half Term	Monday 2 nd June 2025
Key Stage Three Exams	Monday 9 th June – Friday 27 th June (Details to Follow)
Year 10 Parents' Evening	Thursday 12 th June 2025
Boskins Community Drop In	Saturday 21 st June 2025
Break Up for Summer	Tuesday 22 nd July 2025 at 12:30pm

I would like to wish all members of our community a wonderful Easter break. I hope you all have the chance to relax, recharge, and, of course, enjoy some of the Easter chocolates that are sure to be plentiful over the holiday! Thank you once again for your ongoing support. We look forward to continuing our partnership in the summer term and all the exciting opportunities it will bring.

Yours faithfully,



Mr S. Parker
Headteacher