



4<sup>th</sup> October 2024

Dear Parent/Carer

I hope my email finds you and your families well.

It was lovely to see so many of our Year 11 parents at the Year 11 'Success For All' Evening this Monday. A key message of our welcome presentation was the need for our students to now maximise their time in and out of lessons and seize every opportunity made available to them. Our Heads of English, Maths and Science then shared practical revision tips and strategies for parents to support their children's revision as we head towards their first round of mock exams, commencing on Friday 8<sup>th</sup> November. In addition, Mrs Curtis spoke about our sixth form provision, highlighting the benefits this brings to students who choose Newark Academy Sixth Form as the place to continue their post 16 education.

Our Year 7 students have also had a busy week sitting CATs exams where they displayed high standards of behaviour and attitude. They were praised by our invigilators for their tenacity and resilience. To finish the week, Year 7s then enjoyed a theatre performance on road safety. The actors recreated real-life scenarios and shared strategies to overcome peer pressure around poor road safety, encouraging the use of school crossing patrols and pedestrian crossings.



The favourite part of my week was breaktime yesterday when I attended our Student Parliament election. We are very pleased that students and staff across the Academy engaged so well in the process, voting for the Lead Ambassadors of our Student Parliament. We will announce the results next week, once all the votes have been counted. We highly value student voice and we believe strongly that our students will be a driving force for positive change. We know that an active Student Parliament will help students develop their leadership skills and contribute to their school and local communities in a positive way.



Key Events for Half Term One

10 <sup>th</sup> October 2024	Y5/6 Open Evening
11 <sup>th</sup> October 2024	Nova Trust Inset Day
17 <sup>th</sup> October 2024	Y13 Achievement Evening
24 <sup>th</sup> October 2024	Music Recital 1

Polite reminder that **Friday 11<sup>th</sup> October is an Inset Day** allocated for staff professional development and students will therefore not attend school.

I hope your children have enjoyed this week at school.

Have a relaxing weekend.



Inma Peña  
Headteacher