



Ref: MLA/JWA CC1225.LAS

11 December 2025

Dear Parents/Carers and Students

Christmas Closure / Important Dates and Information

I write to remind you that **the Autumn Term will end on Friday 19 December 2025, at 1:05pm**. Students will be able to collect lunch from the dining hall prior to leaving the building should they wish to; however, please note that all students will need to have left the Academy site by **1:30pm**.

The Academy will re-open to students on Tuesday 06 January 2026. Please ensure your child arrives for a prompt start to the day at 8:20am. A reminder of the times of the day and the remaining term dates/INSET days are outlined overleaf for your convenience.

I would like to take this opportunity to remind parents/carers that should you have any difficulty with the purchasing of uniform and/or basic equipment for learning, please contact Mrs Whitfield at the Academy where confidential conversations can take place, and support can be offered if needed.

Considerate and Safe Parking around the Academy

As always, please could I politely remind you when picking up or dropping off students at the start and end of the school day, please be considerate of residents living on Thistley Hough, Barnfield, The Croft, and the surrounding areas. To help reduce congestion and ensure the safety of both students and local residents, families are encouraged to use the designated one-way pick-up and drop-off zone located in the main academy car park, accessible from Newcastle Lane. This area has been designed to allow children to enter and leave vehicles safely and efficiently, while helping to keep local roads clear and minimising disruption for those who live nearby. Your cooperation and courtesy are greatly appreciated in maintaining a safe and respectful environment for everyone in our community.

May I take this opportunity to thank you for your continual support for our academy, and to wish you all a pleasant and restful Christmas break.

With very best wishes

Michelle Lawrence
Principal



Remaining Term Dates 2025 – 2026

Autumn 2025

Academy closes	Friday 19 December
Christmas Holiday	Monday 22 December to Friday 02 January

Spring 2026

Academy open to <u>staff only</u> INSET Day	Monday 05 January
Academy opens to students	Tuesday 06 January
Academy closes	Friday 13 February
Half Term	Monday 16 February to Friday 20 February
Academy opens	Monday 23 February
Academy open to <u>staff only</u> INSET DAY	Friday 20 March (revised INSET Day)
Academy closes to students	Friday 27 March
Easter Holiday	Monday 30 March to Friday 10 April

Summer 2026

Academy opens	Monday 13 April
May Day Bank Holiday	Monday 04 May
Academy closes	Friday 22 May
Half Term	Monday 25 May to Friday 29 May
Academy opens	Monday 01 June
Academy closes to students	Friday 17 July
Summer Holiday	Monday 20 July to Friday 28 August

Remaining INSET Days (Academy open to staff only)

- Monday 5th January 2026
- Friday 20th March 2026 (*revised/confirmed date*)
- Monday 20th July 2026

Times of the Day

Time	Activity/Period
08:20am	Warning Bell/Whistle
08:25am	Roll Call
8:30am - 8.50am	Tutor Time
8:50am - 9:50am	Period 1
9:50am - 10:50am	Period 2
10:50am – 11:05am	Break
11:05am – 12:05pm	Period 3
12:05pm – 1:05pm	Period 4
1:05pm – 1:45pm	Lunch
1:40pm	Roll Call
1:45pm – 2:45pm	Period 5