



Dear parents/carers

It has been a very positive and busy term across all four schools in the South Lincolnshire Academies Trust, and I wanted to share some of the many highlights with you.

Across the Trust, students have shown maturity, enthusiasm and kindness in everything from academic learning to enrichment opportunities. Our recent Trust-wide events, including World Book Day, were a real success with fantastic student (and staff) creativity and strong engagement in reading challenges and activities.

Our focus on developing speaking, listening and communication has also continued through activities such as SALAD Days for Years 7 to 9, where students took part in debates, teamwork and presentations. Students right across the Trust have been heavily involved in sports competitions, wellbeing events, careers workshops, and specialist PHSE programmes such as the Prison Me No Way sessions for Year 9.



Exam preparation remains a priority, with well-attended revision sessions and Exam Success Evenings, ensuring Year 11 and 13 students feel confident and supported. Our Easter revision sessions have proved very popular again which is fantastic.

Our SLAT Sixth Form guidance and transition meetings for Year 11 students applying to start in September 2026 have also gone very well, with many internal and external students benefiting from visits and advice as they plan their next steps to join our amazing Sixth Form.

We have continued celebrating student achievement and character across all schools, from the Year 11 to Year 10 Prefect handovers, to our Young Carers breakfasts. I am also so proud of our extra-curricular enrichment offer across the Trust. Students have a wealth of opportunities on offer to take part in. I always encourage students to use our 'You Say, We Listen' tab on our school websites to keep the extra-curricular ideas coming through!

Site improvements over Easter

During the Easter holidays, a number of important site developments will take place. These include the final installation of our brand-new teaching screens in every classroom, helping to enhance the learning experience for all students.

At Cowley Academy, we are also beginning the new student toilet refurbishment project, which will modernise facilities and further improve the environment for students.

Anti-Bullying Policy Review – Involving our Students

This term we are also reviewing our Trust-wide anti-bullying policy and processes. As part of this, our Student Councils will be directly involved in redesigning the policy. We believe it is essential that students help shape this work because:

- They know what feels safe and comfortable for young people.
- Their voice helps us create a system they trust and understand.
- Policies are more effective when students are involved in writing them.

This student-led approach supports the wider culture we are building across the Trust, where young people feel empowered, respected and heard.

I look forward to sharing our new Anti-Bullying Policy with you once we have finalised the policy.

Would you like to be a Parent Governor?

And continuing on with engaging with stakeholder's voice, we are going to launch our first Parent Governor campaign across the Trust. Parent Governors play an important role in representing the views of parents and helping to support school improvement.

We have vacancies for two Parent Governors at each school in the Trust and we are inviting all parents/carers with children currently at the school to apply for this volunteering role.

As a Parent Governor you will join the school's Local Advisory Board (LAB) and be able to commit to attending three evening meetings per academic year. Depending on your expertise, you may also be involved in working with school staff and governors.

We are looking for parents/carers with different experience in areas such as Education, Local Community, Safeguarding, SEND, HR, Health & Safety, Sustainability and Governance. Ideally, you should have experience in one or two of these areas. We are also keen for parents/carers who can represent different local communities to apply for this role.

Further information regarding this role will be sent to all parents/carers via ParentMail on Tuesday 21st April 2026 along with a link for how to register your interest. The deadline to complete this online form is Tuesday 5th May 2026.



App will be a 'parent friendly' digital platform

As mentioned in my first CEO Update in January 2026, we are embracing new technology to make it easier for parents to stay informed. One of these ways is developing a parent app that will make attendance, homework, calendar events, enrichment opportunities messaging and key updates much easier to access via one simple 'parent friendly' digital platform. We will keep you updated when this is ready to launch.



Return to school

Please remember we return on Monday 20th April 2026. The final term of the school year is always a special one, as it brings together everything our students have been working towards. Examination season gives them the chance to show the progress they've made through their hard work and determination, while the summer term also allows us to celebrate their achievements as a community. From end-of-year rewards and whole-school celebrations to our much-anticipated prom events, this term is a time when students can feel proud of how far they've come and look forward to the exciting next steps ahead.

Kindest regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Jemma Curson', written over a horizontal line.

Mrs Jemma Curson

Chief Executive Officer

South Lincolnshire Academies Trust