



PARENT BULLETIN

6 MARCH 2026

KEY MESSAGES

Year 10 academic review evening Thursday 26th March 3.15-6pm

- booking details have been sent via email and appointments open at 4pm Thursday 12th March. A range of post-16 providers will also be there to discuss next steps after next summer. This is the only in-school opportunity to speak to multiple providers in one place so attendance is strongly encouraged.

Detentions next week - there will be no after school detentions on 12th March. Any detentions issued on Wednesday 11th March will be carried over to Friday 13th March.

Tuesday night football starts again on 10th March for anyone interested in Year 7 8 or 9.

Fidget tools – a polite reminder – following our notice before the holidays, we continue to notice an increase in students bringing fidget toys into school, particularly in Year 7. These tools are only permitted in lessons when they are part of a student's agreed support plan. Please ensure that these items remain at home unless your child has a documented need for them. This helps us maintain a focused and distraction-free learning environment for all students.

FAO parents of children with SEND/EHCP – please see below shared on behalf of the Middlesbrough SEND Team:

“Drop in session to gain views/options on the White Paper proposals that have been published recently – if you have any worries or concerns/questions, please come and have a chat. A member of the parent carer forum will be in attendance to support/signpost you as needed:

- Friday 20th March 9.30-11am at Park End Hub
- Monday 23rd March 1-2.30pm at the Live Well Centre, Central Middlesbrough”

Appeal for placements for Year 10 Work

Experience Week 2026 6-10th July - If you, or anyone you know, could offer a placement for a student, please email careers@laurencejackson.org.

LJS Musician of the Year 2026 – There will be one winner from each year group and an overall winner chosen at our annual Spring Concert (Wednesday 1st April). If your child would like to be considered for this recognition there is a sheet in the music department for them to sign up by Friday 13th March. Auditions will take place on Wednesday 18th March in T15 after school. Each student entering will need to present one song/piece of their choice. If they are chosen, they will present their song/piece during the first half of the Spring Concert. We will also be looking to present some other solo items in the second half of the concert - if your child is interested in this, they should add their name to the sign-up to auditions sheet on Wednesday 18th March.

KS3 Core Home Learning Updates – On Monday all KS3 students will be shared the following:

<p>The following Home Learning Tasks are due in this week:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sparx Reader (Today) • Sparx Maths (Thursday) • History (from the previous Wk B) (Thursday) 	<p>New Home Learning Tasks set this week:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Sparx Reader (set TODAY) will be due in on Monday 2. MFL (set TUESDAY) will be due in Wk A in specific lesson 3. Sparx Maths (set Wednesday) will be due in on Wednesday next week. 4. History Seneca (set Thursday) will be due in 2 weeks later. <p>ALL DETAILS OF WHAT YOU NEED TO DO WILL BE ON CLASS CHARTS</p>
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<p>Key Questions to help you PLAN your Core Home Learning this week:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. What things do you have on outside of school this week that you'll need to work around? 2. What times do you have 'spare'? (these need to be your 'Home Learning slots') 3. Where will you write these times down? 4. What Core H.L. are you going to do in these slots? (write them down) Remember to consider whether you have any outstanding work due in this week that you haven't yet completed. 5. Where can you put your plan at home so that you'll see it everyday? 		<p>Key Questions to help you reflect on your PROGRESS:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. How is your accuracy rating doing in Sparx Reader? What new vocabulary have you come across? 2. Can you think of a specific example of a type of calculation you have improved on from your work in Sparx Maths? 3. How is your work with Educake helping your recall in Geography and Science lessons? 4. How is your flash card work for MFL supporting you in French lessons? 5. What do you want to get even better at by Easter?
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SAFEGUARDING SPOTLIGHT

As mentioned in previous parent bulletins, to coincide with the recent Children's Mental Health week, we would be grateful if you could complete the following survey which can help shape our future mental health support offer. [LINK - CLICK HERE](#)

UPCOMING DATES:-

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| 12 th March | Year 8 Parents Evening |
| 23 rd March | Year 10 revision conference |
| 26 th March | Year 10 Parents Evening |