

12<sup>th</sup> December 2024

Dear Parent / Carer,

**Re: End of Term Letter (0040-25ASW)**

As we approach the last day of the autumn term on Friday 19<sup>th</sup> December 2025, I would like you to know that lessons will continue to be educational and relevant to the curriculum. Therefore, pupil attendance is expected each day. We do have some festive activities taking place however, these are optional and do not impact on the content or delivery of the curriculum.

**Activities and Rewards**

In the final week of term, we will be celebrating pupil achievement through rewards assemblies to recognise pupils who have demonstrated being PROUD: passionate, respectful, organised, united and determined in their daily life at Longfield. Alongside this, pupils who have 100% attendance will also be rewarded.

From next week, right up to the to the last day on Friday 19<sup>th</sup> December, we will continue to celebrate the theme of 'giving' and the importance of kindness and charity with:

- Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> December, 1:30pm to 3:10pm is our annual **Senior Citizen Christmas Party**
- On Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> and Friday 19<sup>th</sup> December we will serve a festive lunch. **This will be the only hot option.** However, cold sandwiches will also be available, and pupils can of course bring a packed lunch
- Friday 19<sup>th</sup> December is **Christmas Jumper Day** - pupils and staff are invited to wear a Christmas jumper with their school uniform. Please note, this is optional. This is a national fundraising event to raise money for **Save the Children**, and we kindly ask for a £1 donation per person (or whatever you can afford)

**Key Dates for January 2026**

- Monday 5th January, pupils and staff return for Term 2
- Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> – Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> January, Y11 mock exams continue
- Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> January, 4pm-6:30pm, Y9 Options Evening
- Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> January, 5pm-6pm, Y10 'Future Ready' Parent & Pupil Event

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On a final note, I wanted to share some positive feedback from local care home staff and residents, as well as members of the public following some recent trips. The feedback talks about how wonderfully polite, friendly and articulate our children are in comparison to other schools they've experienced, as well as how smart they look.

We believe this is testament to the relationships we've cultivated with our pupils and parents / carers. Your continued support and engagement helps us exceed and solidifies Longfield Academy's importance within the community. It also allows our wonderful pupils to be recognised for all of the right reasons.

To support families, we've attached a quick guide of standards and expectations to help prepare pupils for the new term.

Thank you on behalf of all the staff. We wish you a safe and enjoyable holiday and look forward to welcoming pupils back to school at 8:20am on Monday 5<sup>th</sup> January 2026.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in grey ink that reads "A Sweeten". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Mrs A Sweeten  
Headteacher