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Dear Parents and Carers

We come to the end of another busy half term in school. We say goodbye to our Year 13 students who have now completed their learning journey with us. We are proud of the young adults that they have become and look forward to welcoming them back into school on results day.

Our Year 11 students have also now completed their assessments and we look forward to working with them following the break on preparing for their next steps, whether staying with us in our sixth form, going to college or starting an apprenticeship - exciting times are ahead.

During the half term break building work will commence on site. The build will create additional classrooms and lunchtime facilities and details can be found in this article from the Northern Echo: [£1.43m sustainable extension for South Shields school with green heart | The Northern Echo](#). The building work will affect the Y7 and Y8 bubbles and the new arrangements have been communicated to all of these students, particularly the adapted break time arrangements and new fire routes.

For the final half term, we are delighted to be able to move back to all students beginning school at the same time. There is no longer any need for students to delay before entering the site. Each Year Group must be on site by 8.45 to begin their morning prayers and preparation for the school day with their tutors. We will retain the bubble entrances and paths to ensure safety.

We look forward to welcoming our students back to school on Monday 7 June for the final half term of this academic year. A reminder that we have an inset day on Friday 2 July and students will not be expected to attend school on this day. Additionally, there will be two parents' evenings as follows: Y8 on Tuesday 22 June and Y10 on Tuesday 6 July. To accommodate the early start to our parents' evenings, the school day will finish at 2.20pm on those days and there will be a change in timings to lessons throughout the days. Pupils who travel on scholars' buses to and from school will be picked up at 2.20pm.

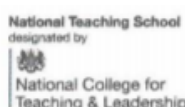
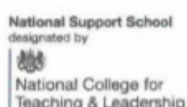
Finally, please could I remind you that twice weekly lateral flow testing should continue throughout the half term break, with results being reported via the link on the school website.

We hope that you have a restful half term break.

Kind regards

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Mrs D Ritchie  
Acting Head of School



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