



WILLIAM FARR

C of E Comprehensive School

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23 January 2026

Year 10

Dear Parent/Guardian

Spring Term

The year group have made a great start to their GCSE journey, and I am proud of how they have approached this crucial stage in their education. They have been rewarded with a record-breaking number of House points for their excellent work and effort in lessons and their conduct around school. It has been a real privilege to sign off so many certificates that acknowledge all the hard work that is being achieved in Year 10.

During the Spring Term in PSHE we will be covering “The Law” and “Personal Finance” alongside our continued offer of careers advice in preparation for Post 16 Options. Careers appointments continue to be available for students these can be booked via their Form Tutors. We have our Careers Fair on 6 March 2026, which all students will attend. This is a fantastic opportunity to talk to a wide range of employers, colleges and universities. We hope that students will take the chance to learn about possible future careers and raise their aspirations of next steps in their education. We have several local Post 16 providers coming into school during our Wednesday assemblies to also help students consider alternative provision other than William Farr Sixth Form. We have already had a speaker from Lincoln College this term and we look forward to visits from both Riseholme College and The Access Creative College.

Alongside all the extra-curricular clubs running in Year 10 we have some fantastic opportunities coming up this term including the Religious Studies trip to the Beth Shalom Centre, House football, netball and badminton, the service pupils’ trip to Bishop Lincoln University to name but a few. This will not only benefit their wellbeing, teach them valuable skills but also boost their CV.

Punctuality is important and attendance matters; our school target is 96%. Your support in monitoring your child’s behaviour through the MCAS app is appreciated, having conversations at home about the House points they are earning and any negative incidents does truly help keep students on track. Your ongoing support to achieve the end goal of students leaving with life skills, glowing references and a range of qualifications is our shared destination. For students, knowing both school and parents are working together and giving the same messages is both consistent and nurturing and delivers the best outcomes. If you do have any concerns about your child’s progress in a certain subject, please contact the Head of Faculty. We also have a Parents’ Evening on 24 March 2026.

Social media continues to be an area of vigilance for parents. Please can I remind you that mobile phones are not permitted in school. The NSPCC have put together a simple guide to give you information and advice to keep your child safe online. It is called Online Safety for Parents NSPCC. Also, the Lincolnshire Safeguarding Children’s Partnership have videos on YouTube The LSCP – YouTube which covers issues on Staying Safe, online bullying, gaming, groups chats and malicious communications amongst many others. They are short clips which are suitable for both adults and children which I am sure you may find useful. If your child is struggling with their mental health there are of course, avenues of support through school as well as KOOOTH. Kooth is an online support service that the students have had an assembly on. In addition, we are also having the Police come into school during PSHE to discuss “Social Media and Account Compromise”, later in February.

We have a number of students with severe nut allergies in school. Where possible, we would appreciate it if students did not bring nuts into school. This includes nuts in packed lunches and snack bars.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any pastoral concerns. My email is r.parry@williamfarr.lincs.sch.uk and Mr Dickinson Fogg's email is j.dickinsonfogg@williamfarr.lincs.sch.uk. As part of our commitment to support staff workload and wellbeing I will endeavour to respond to emails within 3 working days. Emails should be written in line with the Parent Code of Conduct as shown on the school website under the Governor's section.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your ongoing support and I look forward to continuing to work with you to support your child at this crucial point in their education. I have no doubt that Year 10 will continue to excel throughout this term.

Yours faithfully



Mrs R Parry
Head of Year 10