



Robert Smyth Academy

Dear Families,

As we draw this academic year to a close, we reflect with pride on a term filled with achievement, adventure, and community spirit. Our students rose to the challenge of their GCSE and A-Level examinations, demonstrating resilience and dedication. Beyond the classroom, enriching residential visits to Swanage, Morzine, Normandy, Barcelona, and Cologne broadened horizons and built lasting memories. The spirit of exploration continued with Duke of Edinburgh Award expeditions, while the PE Sports Awards Evening and Sports Day celebrated athletic excellence. Our younger pupils shone in the Year 1 and 2 Multi Sports and Year 3 and 4 Mini-Olympics. It doesn't stop there as our intrepid Ecuador expedition enter their second week!

The school community came together through initiatives like the Year 10 and 12 Faith Forum, Year 10 Careers Day, and Year 10 Work Experience Week, complemented by the dynamic Year 12 Enrichment Week. Leadership and creativity were on full display at the Art and Design Textiles Show, and Summer Concerts, while the KS3 Celebration Evening and Redwood Celebration Event offered joyful reflections on a year of growth.

We also welcomed the future with open arms during the Year 6 Induction Day. Finally, we ended the year in style with the unforgettable Year 11 Prom and end of year trips to Drayton Manor and Alton Towers, marking a fitting celebration of friendship and achievement. If you have missed any of this, you can follow the school on Instagram [**@robertsmythacademy**](#).

In every sense, this half-term has lived up to our commitment to **put students at the centre of what we do**.

A-Level Results Morning

Examination results will be available for collection on **Thursday 14th August** between **8.15 – 9.15am**. Students will be required to **confirm their destinations information** on arrival at the Main Reception to the school. Results will be collected from Bragg Hall. The Sixth Form Team will be on hand to support students.

GCSE Results Morning

Examination results will be available for collection on **Thursday 21st August** between **8.00 – 9.00am**. The Sixth Form Team will be on hand to assist students with queries regarding Sixth Form Enrolment. However, we ask families to note that results will only be collectible until 9.00am and thereafter they will be posted.

Results may only be collected by a parent or guardian providing they have a letter of consent, signed by the student, and suitable identification is produced. **Results cannot be given by telephone, via e-mail or to a friend.** When the examination results have been issued, examination boards have asked that any queries you have are directed through the Academy. For data protection reasons, they are unable to enter any discussion regarding a candidate's individual results over the telephone.

Sixth Form Enrolment

Sixth Form registration will take place on **Thursday 21st August**. If students have any concerns after GCSE results are collected, the Sixth Form Team will be available to offer guidance. For example, if a student meets our overall entry requirements but does not meet the relevant subject entry requirements, we can discuss options in other subject areas.

Autumn Term

INSET Day – Tuesday 26th August

Year 7 (only) in school – Wednesday 27th August

Year 12 Induction – Wednesday 27th August

Year 7, 11 and 13 (only) in school – Thursday 28th August

All Years in school – Friday 29th August

Year 12 courses begin – Monday 1st September

Please use the [**website**](#) to access **term dates** and **school calendar** for further information including **INSET Days**.

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Staff

Following last week's letter, we omitted the name of Mr. Davies' successor as the new Head of History and Religious Studies, and we look forward to **Mr. Owen** joining us and a superb team in the new academic year.

Homework

All students have been set **summer work** to complete during the break so that they can keep learning and remain on top of their studies. Please encourage students to continue to invest in themselves during this time.

Where can I access support while the school is closed?

After the last day of term, **the school will be closed until Wednesday 27th August**. During the summer holidays families can access the following sources of support:

- **Childline:** <https://www.childline.org.uk/> or by calling **0800 1111**
- **Children's Services:** <https://www.leicestershire.gov.uk/leisure-and-community/community-safety/>
- **NHS England:** Call **111** or visit <https://www.nhs.uk/using-the-nhs/>
- **Market Harborough Food Bank:** <https://www.harborough.gov.uk/foodbanks>

Suicide prevention

I want to remind you of the support available via [Papyrus](#); an organisation dedicated to the prevention of young suicide. Suicide is the biggest killer of young people under 35 in the UK and every year thousands more attempt or contemplate suicide, harm themselves or suffer alone, afraid to speak about how they are feeling.

If you are the parent of a young person who experiences thoughts or feelings of this kind, then we would strongly advise that you seek an appointment with your GP and that you access the following support:

If you are having thoughts of suicide or are concerned for a young person who might be you can contact HOPELINEUK for confidential support and practical advice.

Call: 0800 068 4141

Text: 07860 039 967

Email: pat@papyrus-uk.org

Uniform

There are no changes. Please note that all students will be expected to return in **full school uniform**. We would be grateful if parents could remain mindful that **we do not permit the following**, as per the uniform [policy](#):

- Nail polish or false nails
- Unnatural hair dye
- Multiple ear piercings (one single stud in each ear maximum)
- Nose piercings

We will specifically follow up on these features of our uniform policy to ensure high standards:

- Blazers to be worn in school with shirts tucked in
- Grey pleated skirt, regulation length, on or just above the knee

Thank you once again for your fantastic, ongoing support. This will be my last letter to parents before the summer recess and I wish you all an enjoyable summer.

Yours sincerely,

D Cleary
Principal