



Robert Smyth Academy

Dear Parent/Carer,

Year 13 – The End of an Era

This week, we have celebrated the fantastic individual talents and contributions of our wonderful Year 13 group. Many of our students in this year group joined The Robert Smyth Academy in 2016, as the first ever students to join our school in Year 7 following age-range change. This year group have become well known for their personality, positivity, and participation throughout the life of the school. They have provided superb role models for children in the Main School, and they have continued to set new standards as a year group. We were grateful to enjoy a final assembly and a successful leaver's dinner with the students yesterday and to share in the important moments of reflection that we all remember from our time in school. It was a privilege to talk to the students this week, every one of whom talked openly about their love for our school, the happiness that they have experienced, the friendships that they have made, and their aspirations for the future. We look forward to welcoming Year 13 students back into school for their A-Level Examinations in the coming weeks.

Safeguarding Survey

At the end of this week, we were delighted to receive fantastic praise and feedback from both an external safeguarding consultant and from a review undertaken by the Executive Safeguarding Lead of Tudor Grange Academies Trust. The feedback demonstrates that our safeguarding systems and processes remain robust and that we benefit from the highly valuable work undertaken by the Safeguarding Team supported by all members of staff. This provides me with an opportunity to recognise that superb work and to remind parents that we welcome your feedback on safeguarding in our community and you can register your view by completing this [survey](#) which will remain open until Friday 26th May.

I hope you have a great weekend.

Yours sincerely,

D Cleary
Principal

Key dates

- **Thursday 25th May:** Year 8 Parents Evening
- **Thursday 8th June:** Year 8 Parents Evening
- **Tuesday 13th June:** Year 8 Careers Day
- **Monday 19th June:** Sports Awards Evening
- **Thursday 22nd June:** Summer Concert
- **w/b Monday 26th June:** Year 10 Work Experience Week
- **Tuesday 27th June:** Year 12 Careers Day
- **Thursday 29th June:** Year 11 Prom
- **Friday 30th June:** INSET Day – school closed to students
- **Monday 3rd July:** Meet the Tutor Evening (Year 6 only)
- **Tuesday 4th July:** Year 6 Induction Day
- **Tuesday 4th July:** Year 10 Careers Day
- **Monday 10th July:** KS3 Prize Giving
- **Wednesday 12th July:** End of Year Trips / Last Day of Term. **The school closes at 3.15pm.**