



Dear parent/carer

Can I firstly thank you for your words of encouragement and feedback on areas for us to develop at The Parker School. It has been a busy week with our Year 11 and Year 13s preparing for their upcoming exams and for pupils in Year 7-10 focusing on the final term.

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At the recent family forum I presented on where we would be looking to take The Parker School over the next few years and I appreciate your honest feedback which has helped us formulate our plans. I have summarised the questions that were raised during the evening:

Not all teachers are permanent- We have already filled several teaching spaces for September and two weeks ago, any vacant positions were advertised nationally which hasn't previously happened.

Our children spend a lot of time moving between buildings -We have submitted a business plan to E-ACT ELT to move the majority of the school onto the Randolph site in September. This is a comprehensive plan and I am hopeful we will receive their backing to make the required alterations.

Our children would like more clubs- I have already started to address this with staff and there we have made several staff appointments which will see an increase in the number of clubs this term but even more from September. Staff know that it is vital we create a learning community which also means pupils attending clubs.

Homework is inconsistent and not always clear -We are just about to sign up to 'Show My Homework' website which will see homework set online and both you and your child will be able to access this from any electronic device that has the internet. SLT will be able to monitor what homework has been set.

I would like to know more about my child's academic performance -We are working towards having an online data system (PAM) in place for September which will make all of your child's academic data as well as behaviour points, on the secured website, accessible to you.

Are there plans to increase the number of buses to villages?-We will be meeting Northampton County Council to discuss various issues

We would like feedback from E-ACT Trust visits as this is the governance model-We will have a community newsletter which will be sent home to families regularly and will include brief information with feedback from the RABs.

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The next family forum is planned for Monday 15th July and I hope we will be able to use this as an opportunity to launch our new website tools.

Before then we have a 'Sow the Seeds' project which is funded by E-ACT on Saturday 11th May 10am at the Randolph building. It would be great to see you there!

Thank you once again for your support

Yours sincerely

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