

Dear Families,

Earlier this year, we carried out a consultation across the Trust regarding the timings of the school day, as all schools are required to meet the Government expectation of 32.5 hours per week by September 2026. After reviewing the extensive feedback, we have developed a model that we believe provides greater flexibility, supports a consistent approach across our different sites, and aligns with our new phone-free procedures, while also reflecting student voice and the views shared by all stakeholders. As part of this process, we also considered how to continue delivering our Open6 offer and strengthen collaboration across MMAT schools. We are now finalising the arrangements, and a letter outlining the agreed school day will be sent to families shortly after the Easter break.

I am excited to dedicate this bulletin to the incredible success of our recent school production of **School of Rock**! Over the past six months, our brilliant cast, dedicated crew, and hardworking staff have poured their hearts into bringing this high-energy show to life. Their talent and enthusiasm lit up every performance. A lively stew of talent and energy. Thank you to all the families for your amazing support.

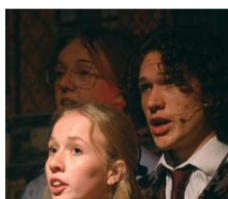
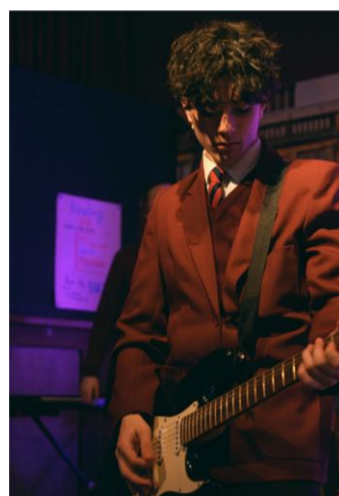


A huge well done to everyone involved for making **School of Rock** an unforgettable triumph!



REMINDERS & NOTICES

School of Rock Take Over



FOCUS

Sixth Form raise money for Lingen Davies



What a fantastic afternoon at our Sixth Form Fancy Dress Fun Run! Students (and staff!) took to the Astro for a short but very fun run.



UPCOMING EVENTS

Click [here](#) to view our upcoming events. Events at a glance:



- Monday 13th April – All students return to school
- Thursday 16th April - Sixth Form Student Finance Talks
- Thursday 30th April – Year 8 Families' Evening

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NEWS

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