



18 May 2026

Dear Parent/Carer,

As we move through Term 4, I would like to take the opportunity to thank you for your continued support and to share some important updates regarding our progress this year and our priorities for improvement moving forward.

Over recent weeks, we have been reviewing our Standards and Quality Report and finalising our School Improvement Plan for 2026–2027. These documents reflect the commitment of our young people, staff and wider school community, and help shape the next steps in our journey of continuous improvement.

This session, we have continued to focus on three key priorities:

- Improving wellbeing, equality and inclusion
- Raising attainment and achievement
- Further improving learning, teaching and assessment

We are pleased to see positive progress across many areas of school life. Our wellbeing data remains strong, with the vast majority of young people reporting that they feel safe and have a trusted adult within the school. We have also seen a reduction in bullying incidents and are continuing to strengthen our approaches to relationships, inclusion and communication with families.

A particular highlight during the senior exam period has been the significant improvement in behaviour and the calm atmosphere across the school during exam leave. Staff and pupils alike have commented on the positive impact this has had on our ethos and sense of belonging throughout the building. It has been encouraging to see young people responding positively to high expectations and contributing to a respectful and purposeful environment for learning.

We are incredibly proud of our senior pupils who are currently completing their Qualifications Scotland examinations. Examinations can be an anxious and demanding time, but our young people have demonstrated resilience, maturity and determination throughout this period. We thank parents and carers for the support and encouragement you continue to provide at home.

As part of our improvement work next session, we will continue to focus on helping all learners understand their progress and next steps more clearly, strengthening feedback in classrooms, improving attendance, and increasing opportunities for parental engagement in learning. We will also continue to develop inclusive teaching approaches across the school and make greater use of digital platforms such as Satchel One to support learning both in school and at home.

New timetables for all pupils will begin on Monday 1st June. This important transition period allows learners to begin settling into new subjects, courses and routines ahead of the new academic year, and we encourage all young people to approach this positively and with ambition.

This final term is also a very important time of celebration within our school community. Over the coming weeks, we look forward to welcoming parents and carers to our Celebration of Achievement events, where we will recognise and celebrate the many successes and contributions of our young people across academic achievement, leadership, wider achievement, sport, culture and service to the school community. Information will be shared in due course, dates and times are in our Upcoming Events calendar.



This term has also seen a number of highly successful educational visits and trips which have provided our young people with valuable opportunities to learn beyond the classroom, develop confidence and strengthen relationships with their peers and staff. These experiences continue to play an important role in supporting wellbeing, achievement and wider personal development; thank you to all staff who are involved in providing these experiences.

We also take this opportunity to say farewell to our leavers. Our S4/S5 Leavers' Ceremony will take place on Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> May; this is a wonderful opportunity to celebrate the achievements, growth and contribution of our young people moving on to new destinations including further education, apprenticeships, training and employment. We are equally looking forward to celebrating with our senior pupils at the S5/S6 Prom, which is always a memorable occasion and an important milestone in the lives of our young people.

As always, thank you for your ongoing partnership and support. By continuing to work together, we can ensure that every young person at Lockerbie Academy feels supported, included and encouraged to achieve their full potential.

### **Comments, Compliments & Complaints**

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### **Upcoming School Events**

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|------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Mon 25<sup>th</sup> May</b>                       | New S4 Induction (periods 4 & 5)<br>New S5/S6 Induction (periods 6&7) |
| <b>Tues 26<sup>th</sup> May</b>                      | S1-S3 Sports Day                                                      |
| <b>Wed 27<sup>th</sup> May</b>                       | S4/S5 Leaver's Ceremony                                               |
| <b>Thurs 28<sup>th</sup> May</b>                     | S1-S3 Alton Towers Trip                                               |
| <b>Fri 29<sup>th</sup> May</b>                       | Pupil Holiday                                                         |
| <b>Mon 1<sup>st</sup> June</b>                       | New Timetable                                                         |
| <b>Fri 5<sup>th</sup> June</b>                       | S5/S6 Prom (6.30pm Lockerbie Town Hall)                               |
| <b>Tues 9<sup>th</sup> June</b>                      | Celebration of Achievement (evening)                                  |
| <b>Sun 14<sup>th</sup>- Fri 19<sup>th</sup> June</b> | S4-S6 Paris Trip                                                      |
| <b>Mon 15<sup>th</sup> June</b>                      | S1 Celebration of Achievement (2pm)                                   |
| <b>Wed 17<sup>th</sup> June</b>                      | S4-S5 Celebration of Achievement (2pm)                                |
| <b>Thurs 18<sup>th</sup> June</b>                    | S3 Celebration of Achievement (2pm)                                   |
| <b>Fri 19<sup>th</sup> June</b>                      | S2 Celebration of Achievement (2pm)                                   |
| <b>Mon 22<sup>nd</sup> June</b>                      | P7 Induction Week                                                     |
| <b>Wed 24<sup>th</sup> June</b>                      | P7 Info Evening                                                       |
| <b>Wed 1<sup>st</sup> July</b>                       | End of Term                                                           |
| <b>Wed 19<sup>th</sup> Aug</b>                       | Staff Inset Day                                                       |
| <b>Thurs 20<sup>th</sup> Aug</b>                     | All pupils return 2026-2027                                           |

Yours faithfully,



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