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Dear Parents and Carers

Firstly, thank you for your support across this academic year so far, and I hope you are all having a lovely Easter period. Just a short letter to outline some key dates and information for you all:

All students return to LCA normal time on Monday 20th April. We look forward to welcoming them all back, but can you remind your child that the main gate closes at 8.38 am and to be on time, looking smart and in full uniform. This means adhering to the school uniform regulations as outlined on the website including piercings, hair colour, and nails! I know, the overwhelming majority do so, and we are grateful for that. For Year 11, they can either wear their leavers hoodie or blazer, but they must wear their white shirt and tie underneath! We want them smart for the forthcoming exam season. The uniform expectations page from the school website is attached below. It also contains the basic equipment all students are expected to bring to school each day, tutors will be checking uniform and equipment each morning. Thank you for your support with this, uniform was a very good standard last term; it made a huge difference.

[Looe Community Academy - Uniform & Equipment](#)

Key Dates:

1. Monday 27th April: Year 11 external exams begin in Art, French & Spanish Speaking, and Textiles.
2. Monday 4th May: Bank Holiday Monday- school is closed.
3. Friday 8th May: Year 11 written external examinations begin.
4. Monday 25th May- Friday 29th May: Half-term.
5. Monday 1st June- All students return to school normal time.
6. Wednesday 17th June last day of Year 11 external exams.
7. Friday 19th June: Year 11 Prom!
8. Monday 22nd -Friday 26th June: Year 10 Mock Exams.
9. Thursday 25th June: Year 7 Parent Evening.
10. Thursday 16th July: Year 10 Parent Evening.
11. Monday 20th -Friday 24th July: Year 10 Work Experience Week and Year 7-10 Challenge Week!

United by the Seas Project:

The link below is to the LCA United by the Sea Community Engagement Project. The Flavours of Looe cookbook is on sale now at a great price of £17 and this is the best community project I have ever

experienced in 30 years of teaching. It fills me with immense pride that Year 10 have taken part and all the students across the whole school are creating the sense of identity and belonging, being proud of our heritage, identity and who we are. Well done to all involved!

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At the end of last term. Mrs Jackman led wonderful assemblies celebrating the successes of our amazing students from Year 7-11. We will be pushing more student achievement and excellence out on social media across the summer term as it really is all about our wonderfully gifted LCA students. From the Year 8 football team who went far in the prestigious National Cup tournament through to the twenty Year 10 students who are soon to be making a trip to visit Oxford University, so many of our young people are really making this school a great place to be and we are lucky to serve this community. Thank you to all of you.

On that note, whilst we stride forward to continue to improve the Pastoral and Behaviour ethos and systems, I have exciting news that on Monday 20th April, Mr Conrad Major will be joining us from Eastbourne Academy and relocating to his beloved Cornwall. Conrad was impressive on interview and arrives with a strong reputation for school improvement. He will be our new Assistant Headteacher overseeing this key area of Inclusion at the school. We are lucky to be gaining his skill set, passion, experience, and drive. A welcomed addition to the LCA team! Another exciting addition to the teaching team is that for one term, we have the experienced English specialist teacher, Bryan Maywood joining us to cover classes within the English Department. Bryan's knowledge, passion for teaching and learning and expertise is second to none. An ex-Headteacher and gifted skilled teacher he will add further value to the teaching team at Looe.

Finally, the Ofsted Report is still not published but I have been told by the Ofsted Lead administrator that our report will be published very soon when we return to school after the Easter Holiday. As soon as I get the go ahead, I will write to all parents, invite those who would like to attend to a Parent Forum session where we can unpick the fair report and look at how we plan the next stage of LCA's school improvement journey. The Ofsted Inspection last term was a fair process, and we have much to celebrate and recognise regarding rapid school improvement but also, the realism that there is so much more to be done to ensure our school, Looe Community Academy, is back where it belongs as a truly excellent place of learning and inclusion for all! We will get there, together as one.

I hope you all enjoy the rest of the holiday (I know, most parents are working!) and I look forward to seeing many of you soon. Thank you again for the support you have given to the school.
Yours sincerely,

Yours faithfully



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