

# PARENT / CARER NEWSLETTER

May 2026

**Franklin**  
Sixth Form College

Dear Parents and Carers,

As we begin the summer term, we now enter one of the most significant periods of the academic year for our students, particularly those preparing for external examinations.

We would like to wish all students the very best of luck as they move into the exam season. This is the culmination of many months of hard work, dedication and perseverance. Our staff are incredibly proud of the commitment students continue to show, and we remain fully focused on supporting them to achieve their very best outcomes.

Support for our students is available in many forms including dedicated revision and support sessions delivered by teaching staff, as well as the opportunity for students to contact and utilise our Study Skills Coach or Academic Improvement Mentors.

In addition to these dedicated support sessions, the College will be open during May half-term for any student wishing to use The Bridge area for revision. Students in receipt of financial support will see an increase in their daily meal allowance to ensure they have access to enough healthy food options to fuel the extra hard work being undertaken in preparation for exams.

## The Importance of Parental Support

At this crucial time, parental support plays an invaluable role in helping students manage both academic pressure and wellbeing. We would encourage families to help students by:

- Maintaining healthy routines, including eating well and staying hydrated
- Prioritising sleep, particularly during revision and exam periods
- Supporting structured revision, with clear routines and realistic goals
- Encouraging balance, ensuring their child takes regular breaks and has downtime to recharge
- Small, consistent support at home can make a significant difference to confidence, resilience and performance.

**From Monday 1st June, our college timetable will be changing until the end of term. This is to promote independent digital learning and provide revision support classes. For more details and information [click here](#).**

## Upcoming Virtual Events for Parents

We would also like to remind parents and carers about two upcoming virtual information events, focusing on the new timetable launching in September. These sessions will take place on Tuesday, 9th June and Thursday, 25th June.

These events will explain the changes, outline the benefits and provide an opportunity to fully understand how the new timetable will support student learning and wellbeing. We strongly encourage you to attend if possible.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support. Working together, we can ensure students remain focused, motivated and confident as they move through the final stages of the academic year.

Do take care,

**Wendy Ellis | Principal & CEO**



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# TERMLY ROUND UP

What a fantastic start to the term at Franklin! From trips, workshops, sport success and fantastic experiences, to some of our biggest events of the year. Here's a few highlights of the term...



**Turing Trips**  
Students had a fantastic time in Spain, Greece, and Cyprus



**Our Grimsby Town Football Shadow Scholarship Team won the league!**



**We celebrated student success at our Stand Out Student Awards**

## Celebrating our STEM Conference and Progression Evening Success

We are delighted to celebrate the success of our annual STEM Conference, now in its 7th year. This year's event welcomed over 20 secondary school partners, providing an inspiring day focused on science, technology, engineering and mathematics. The conference continues to grow in reputation and impact, and it was fantastic to see students engaging so positively with the opportunities and future pathways showcased. Thank you to all staff, partners and presenters who helped make this event such a success.

Our recent Progression Evening was another outstanding achievement for the college. Students were able to engage with over 100 exhibitors from across the country, including employers, apprenticeship providers and a wide range of universities. As the largest event of its kind in the area, it plays a vital role in raising aspirations, creating awareness and opening doors to future progression beyond college. We are incredibly proud of the scale, quality and impact of this event.



# MUSHY ASHGAR OPENS NEW INCLUSIVE SANCTUARY SPACE AT FRANKLIN!

We were delighted to welcome Musharaf Asghar, known for his appearance on the TV series Educating Yorkshire, for a morning of inspiration and celebration as he officially opened our new Sanctuary space, part-funded by the North East Lincolnshire High Needs Capital Grant.

During his visit, Mushy delivered two powerful and engaging talks, sharing his personal journey with honesty and insight. He spoke about determination, overcoming adversity, and his experiences of living with a speech impediment, encouraging students to build confidence and believe in themselves. His message resonated strongly, particularly as he reflected on the challenges he has faced and overcome.

Following his talks, Mushy officially opened The Sanctuary, our new dedicated space for students with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND). The opening was attended by community governors and Trust directors, local partners, and students who will benefit from the space. The new space, which has already proven to be a huge hit with students, has been thoughtfully designed as a calm and inclusive environment where they can socialise with friends, focus on independent study, and develop their confidence and independence.



## SKILLS DESK @FRANKLIN

What's happening in College?

Students are able to access study skills revision support by contacting our study skills coach or academic improvement mentors.

This can be achieved by emailing [study.skills@franklin.ac.uk](mailto:study.skills@franklin.ac.uk) to arrange an appointment. There are lots of resources and support documents on our website by going to the link below:



## UNIVERSITY APPLICATION ADVICE EVENING

Join us for our online advice and guidance session on the university application process. Learn how it works and the support available to help your child succeed.

**Wednesday 20th May**  
**5:30pm - 6:30pm**



## NEW TIMETABLE VIRTUAL PARENT EVENT

We are hosting two virtual events for parents to showcase the new timetable from September 2026 which will be relevant for current Yr1s and returning Level 2 students.

**Tuesday 9th June, 5:30-6pm**  
**Thursday 25th June, 5:30-6pm**



# INTERNATIONAL TRIPS

Our students have had an incredible term! Through the Turing Scheme, students took part in three exciting European trips, travelling to Greece, Spain, and Cyprus, where they undertook work experience and spent time immersing themselves in different cultures, while developing their independence, confidence, employability and life skills. Students and staff are also busy preparing for an exciting visit to New York, and early planning is already underway for a ski trip to Italy next year.



## T LEVELS @FRANKLIN

Our T Level students have now completed their industry placements across a number of businesses in the region, with many securing permanent positions in a variety of sectors. If you would be interested in offering a Franklin student a work placement, please email the careers team at [careersteam@franklin.ac.uk](mailto:careersteam@franklin.ac.uk)



# FRANKLIN TALENT POOL

Are you looking for a rewarding career where you can change lives, build stronger communities, and contribute to the prosperity of our region? Join us at Franklin, the region's only Ofsted Outstanding provider of Sixth Form education.

If you are passionate about education and want to make a real impact, we would love to hear from you. You can view and apply for these opportunities here: <https://www.fejobs.com/careers/franklin/>

We offer our staff a range of competitive staff benefits, including a generous annual leave scheme with additional paid college closure days, two excellent Pension Schemes (Teachers' Pension and Local Government Pension Scheme), FREE gym facilities, FREE parking, a Cycle to Work Scheme, an excellent on site catering provision, and much more.



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