

23rd May 2025

Dear Parents and Carers

As we come to the end of what has been a short but very busy half term, I would like to take a moment to reflect on the hard work, achievements, and spirit that have defined these past few weeks.

We are incredibly proud of our Year 11 and Year 13 students who have faced the challenges of the exam season with admirable determination. They have truly embodied our core values of ambition, respect, integrity, and, most notably, resilience. Their commitment and focus throughout this intense period have been inspiring. As we head into the half term break, we hope they find the right balance between rest and revision, returning refreshed and ready for the next phase of their examinations.

We would also like to express our heartfelt thanks to all our Year 11 and Year 13 teachers for their time, dedication, and tireless efforts in supporting students with additional revision sessions in the lead-up to exams. Their commitment to going the extra mile has made a real difference. Our sincere thanks also go to Mrs Jones, Ms Stenhouse, and our team of exam invigilators, whose careful planning and calm professionalism have ensured that the exam period has run smoothly and efficiently so far.

A special thank you must go to our outgoing Sixth Form Leadership Team. Our Deputy Head Students, Eeva Kohvakka and Harry Grey, along with our Head Students, May Spence and Freddie Cushing, have been exceptional ambassadors for our school. They have given generously of their time to support events, represent the school, and warmly welcome prospective students and their families. Their leadership and dedication have set a high standard, and they have been outstanding role models for their peers. We are sincerely grateful for all they have contributed this year.

As they pass the baton, we are excited to welcome our newly appointed Sixth Form Leadership Team: Lily-Beth Arnold and Evan Grey as Head Students, and Maisie Billingham and Max Finney as Deputy Head Students. We have every confidence they will continue the excellent work of their predecessors and lead with the same passion and integrity.

Looking ahead, we are delighted to announce some staffing updates. Paul Tillman will be joining us after the half term break as our new Vice Principal – Pastoral. Paul brings a wealth of experience and we are thrilled to welcome him to our leadership team. We are also pleased to welcome Alison Brown, who joins us as our new Internal Reflection Room Manager. We look forward to the positive contributions both will bring to our school community.

Thank you for your continued support. We wish you and your families a restful and enjoyable half term break.



Mrs K Bradley-Smith
Interim Principal

Calendar Dates

Friday 23rd May

School closes for the half term holiday at 3.05 pm

Monday 2nd June

School reopens to all students

Wednesday 4th June

Year 12 Parents' Evening

Thursday 19th and Friday 20th June

Year 11 into Sixth Form Induction Days

Monday 7th July and Tuesday 8th July

Year 6 Transition Days

Monday 7th July

Year 6 Parents' Evening

Wednesday 9th July

Year 7 Parents' Evening

Friday 18th July

School closes to all students for the summer holiday



Welcome to Mr Tillman

I am delighted to be joining Campion. I am excited to become part of your community and to grow my own sense of belonging with you all. The school has a long history and I know it means a lot to many people, particularly to local families where generations will have progressed through the school, and for many long-standing members of staff. I cannot wait to learn even more about the school, wider community, and to connect with the children, families and staff at the school.



I have been at my current school for 17 years, initially as a trainee teacher of Design and Technology, teacher, Head of Department for D&T, and most recently as Assistant Headteacher responsible for pastoral care, standards, and sixth form. It was a massive decision for me to move on from a school community I have been part of for so long. My core values align very closely with those of Campion, which was the reason I decided to apply in first place – I was extremely happy when successful at interview. I have been very impressed in my interactions with students and staff at Campion so far and I cannot wait to get started working with everyone.

I will bring my drive, commitment and integrity and will look to work in partnership with you all to make sure Campion is very best school it can be for all its students. I cannot promise to get everything right, or that you will always agree with the decisions I take, but I do promise to listen and learn. Please say hello and introduce yourself to me when you see me.

See you after half term!

Paul Tillman
Vice Principal

Safeguarding Update

We'd like to remind you of a few important safeguarding points to help ensure all our students stay safe, healthy, and supported over the holidays.



Online Safety

With more free time, young people may spend more time online. Please continue to monitor your child's internet use and encourage open conversations about online activity. Useful resources include:

- [ThinkUKnow](#)
- NSPCC Online Safety Hub

If you would like to look at parental controls for your child's device, Internet Matters has step by step guidance for all the different devices and apps. Please follow the link below to access this great resource: [Parental controls and privacy settings guides | Internet Matters](#)

Mental Health and Wellbeing

Holidays can be a positive time, but for some young people, they may bring challenges. Remind your child that it's okay to talk about how they feel. Support is available through:

- **Childline:** 0800 1111 – [childline.org.uk](https://www.childline.org.uk)
- **YoungMinds:** [youngminds.org.uk](https://www.youngminds.org.uk)
- **Kooth** (free, online counselling): [kooth.com](https://www.kooth.com)

If You're Worried About a Child

If you have concerns about a child's safety over the break, you can contact:

- **Northamptonshire MASH (Multi-Agency Safeguarding Hub):** 0300 126 7000
- **NSPCC Helpline:** 0808 800 5000

If you believe a child is in immediate danger, please call **999**.

Wishing all our families a restful and safe half term.

Mrs Johnson
Assistant Principal, DSL, Behaviour and Attendance