

RMCG/KRE

23<sup>rd</sup> May 2025

## Dear Parents/Carers

Thank you so much for your support during this shorter half term. As always it has been a really busy one with Morton students involved in lots of activities. The Year 11s have approached the start of their exams well. The end of year assessments for Year 10 begin shortly after half term so it will be interesting to see how they approach these exams which are the real start of Year 11 exam preparation. Year 9 Options are complete, and we have begun building timetables for next year. Year 7 and Year 8 are working hard and will also be facing their end of year assessments soon.

Attendance has picked up well this term so thank you for your support with this. We were able to hand out some lovely rewards this morning using the weekly star nominations your children have earned from staff. We are well ahead of the numbers of merits issued this year compared to last year, which is excellent. We will be welcoming 210 students into our new Year 7 after our most popular recruitment year.

Our Year 8 Geographers have been out on field trips at Allonby and Silloth. The Duke of Edinburgh qualifying expeditions saw our students navigating from Keswick to Seathwaite on Day 1 and then Seathwaite to Hawse End on Day 2. We have visited the Theatre by the Lake's school seminar looking at a range of careers in theatre from costume design to stage management. We are well underway with our preparations for our summer musical show; we hope to see you there. We were very proud of all of our City Cup finalists at Brunton Park and well done to the Year 9 and Year 10 winning teams.

I look forward to seeing our students return to the academy at the normal time on Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> June; have a lovely half term.

Yours sincerely

Richard McGuire

**Principal**