Dear parents/carers,

It is with much sadness that we say farewell to Mrs Frankland as she steps out of teaching to focus on her health, following a period of illness with Long Covid. As one of the school's founding teachers, this has not been an easy decision for her to take but we respect her decision to focus on her health and thank her for her dedication and commitment to the students, staff and the school over its six year journey. We will officially say farewell to Mrs Frankland at the end of the summer term. For the remaining weeks of this academic year, Ms Silva will teach the classes on Mrs Frankland's timetable. Ms Silva has been working in the French department since September and so students are already familiar with her. Should you have any questions on this transition for your child, please contact saa@sybilandrewsacademy.co.uk

We are excited that more than 75% of the Year 10 students have secured a placement for their work experience. Furthermore, we express our gratitude to the numerous Suffolk businesses that have taken on the role of inspiring our students in the world of work. Teaching these habits young is a key strategy that we are using as a school to support our students so that they progress well to the next stage of their professional journey. The students have gained numerous placements in many professions ranging from a doctors' surgery to one of our biggest local employers, British Sugar. Work experience starts on 15 May and will end on 19 May. If your child did not secure a placement, they will be expected to be in school as normal.

Year 11 parents should have received the plans for exams next week, the plans will show how each day is constructed in terms of exams, revision, break and lunchtimes. You will receive a weekly update to keep you informed throughout the rest of the exam series.

Please be aware that at the end of the day there are students moving around the car park as you are collecting students.

Best wishes,

Kevin Blakey
Executive Headteacher