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## Carre's Grammar School

Northgate Sleaford Lincolnshire NG34 7DD  
Headteacher N M Law

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Dear Parent/Carer

Happy New Year to you and your family!

### Academy Conversion

We have now been an Academy at Carre's Grammar School for a term. Not much has changed in the life of the school, but that should be seen as a mark of the success of Academy status, since the most important reason we took it on was to preserve the school as it is now. The extra money we have received to take on extra responsibilities has been deployed to help us protect all the things that we do and value most. As the financial situation in schools gets worse – and it will get worse – we will do all we can to weather the storm.

### Government White Paper and the English Baccalaurete

As you know, I'm not a great fan of league tables, but the government now produces a table that shows how good we really are...so maybe not so bad, after all! The government, through the White Paper, proposed an English Baccalaureate, which is a certificate for achieving a GCSE in the 'Big 5', as they perceive it - English, Maths, Science, MFL and Humanities (History or Geography). It puts us top of the grammar schools, and top in the county for the second consecutive year!

### Destination of Leavers

The updated list of the destinations of our 2011 Year 13 leavers is at the end of this letter. It shows that our students study a wide variety of courses at a myriad of Universities, and is something about which we can all be very proud. We wish them all every success and hope that future generations of Carre's students' aspirations are to follow in their footsteps.

### Staff News

Mr Gordon Kay, the Director of the Sleaford Joint Sixth Form, retired after 18 years of dedicated and unstinting service to the Sleaford Joint Sixth Form. Never an easy job balancing the sometimes conflicting demands of three schools, he has ensured that the SJSF is going strong and is arguably stronger than ever. We wish him well in his retirement.

Mrs Kate Boxell joined us mid-way through last term to support the work of the Sixth Form team.

### Building Work

Work on the Conservatory is near completion. This will provide much-needed work space for the expanded sixth form.

### School Website

The website should be the first point of reference for school news and events. Some things to which I would like to draw your attention:

- The Carrenian.
  - This has been written and produced entirely by students and reflects the diverse nature of the school, incorporating school, local and national events and issues.

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- Emergency School Closure
  - We are into the colder winter months and the procedures are set out should there be a need to close the school due to the weather.
- Cold Weather arrangements
  - The Sports Hall is now open between 8.15am-8.45am on cold and wet mornings so that boys can have shelter before the start of the school day. Eating, drinking and ball games are not permitted.
- School Term Dates
  - As people are planning their holidays, I would like to remind all parents that the governors do not authorise holidays during term time.

### Parents' Cars on the School Site

May I remind parents that we do not allow the dropping off of students on the school site after 8am for safety reasons. Similarly, in the afternoons, parents should not bring cars onto the site before 4.30pm.

### Lost Property

On the last day of each term we have a Lost Property amnesty. All unmarked property is put out for students to recognise and claim. Any unclaimed items after the amnesty are given to charity. It would be most helpful if your child's property is named as this makes it easier to hand back property which is often claimed to have been 'stolen', when, in the majority of cases, it has been left unwittingly somewhere in the school.

### Parents' Association

The Parents' Association has a new website at: [www.carrespaparents.co.uk](http://www.carrespaparents.co.uk). The website gives details of Parents' Association events, minutes of meetings and details about how you can offer to help support this organisation. Please take a look when you have some time.

The next event will be another very popular 'Wine and Wisdom' event to be held on Friday 3 February at the school. More details will be sent out in the next few days.

### Key Forthcoming Events

10 January	Year 11 Parents' Evening
25 January	Year 7 Parents' Evening
2 February	Year 11 English Poetry Trip
7 February	Year 12/13 EP Conference (Cambridge)
8 February	French Exchange Visit departs
8 February	Year 9 Options Evening
<b>10 February</b>	<b>End of Term 3</b>
11-18 February	Ski Trip
<b>20 February</b>	<b>Start of Term 4</b>
28 February	Year 12 BTec visit to PGL
1 March	Year 9 Parents' Evening
7 March	Spanish Exchange students arrive in Sleaford
15-16 March	Year 12 Geography Fieldtrip
22 March	Year 8 and 10 Form Photographs + Year Photographs for Year 11 and Year 13
28 March	Curriculum Day
28 March	Year 12 Parents' Evening
30 March	Holland Football Tour departs
<b>30 March</b>	<b>End of Term 4</b>

Finally, I would like to thank parents for their support and encouragement in the education of our students and wish you and your family all the best for 2012.

Yours sincerely



**N M Law**  
Headteacher

**YEAR 13 DESTINATIONS – 2011**

	<b>DESTINATION</b>	<b>COURSE</b>	
BATES Nicholas	<b>Northumbria</b>	<b>History and Politics</b>	
BEAUMONT Jack	<b>Cardiff</b>	<b>Social Science</b>	
BLEACH James	<b>UEA</b>	<b>Psychology</b>	
BOND Tom	<b>Lincoln</b>	<b>Mech Eng</b>	
BOWER Hugo	<b>Oxford Brookes</b>	<b>History and Politics</b>	
BROOKE Jack	<b>Exeter</b>	<b>English</b>	
BRAZIER Henry			Employment
BROWN Kyle			Employment
BUSH Thomas			Employment
COGHILL Thomas	<b>Sheffield Hallam</b>	<b>English</b>	
COPLEY Ben	<b>Leeds Met</b>	<b>Sports Performance</b>	
COWELL James	<b>Lincoln</b>	<b>Business and Finance</b>	
DIXON William	<b>Portsmouth</b>	<b>Geological Hazards</b>	
DOWNEY Gregory			Employment
DUNDERDALE Joseph	<b>Lincoln</b>	<b>Sport Exercise Science</b>	
DUNKS Stephen	<b>Sheffield Hallam</b>	<b>Journalism</b>	
ELKINGTON Jamie	<b>Coventry</b>	<b>Automotive Design</b>	
GOACHER Ben	<b>Portsmouth</b>	<b>Sport Exercise Science</b>	
GODBOLT Ross	<b>Leeds</b>	<b>Aeronautical Engineering</b>	
GREENWOOD Ben			Employment
HARDERN Kieran	<b>Oxford</b>	<b>Medicine</b>	
HENDERSON Lloyd			Music Technology College
HIX-DUNN Alex	<b>Nottingham</b>	<b>Spanish and Chinese</b>	
HOLDEN George	<b>Portsmouth</b>	<b>International Development</b>	
HOUSBY Mikey	<b>Keele</b>	<b>Biology and Geography</b>	
INGLETON Nicholas			Employment
JARVIS Bobby			Employment
JUNIPER Calum	<b>Oxford Brookes</b>	<b>French Studies and Music</b>	
KEOGH Christian	<b>Manchester</b>		
KITCHEN Gareth	<b>Metropolitan</b>	<b>Mech Eng</b>	
KNEEN Jacob	<b>Sheffield Hallam</b>	<b>History and Politics</b>	
KNIGHT William	<b>Liverpool</b>	<b>History</b>	
LAMMOND Samuel	<b>St Mary's University College</b>	<b>Psychology and Counselling</b>	Apprenticeship
LIGHT Benjamin			Employment
LLOYD James	<b>Sheffield</b>	<b>History and Philosophy</b>	
MADDY Adam			Employment
MAGGS Nathan	<b>Nottingham</b>	<b>Mental Health Nursing</b>	
MAIDMENT Alex	<b>Coventry</b>	<b>Journalism and Media</b>	
MASON Sam	<b>Essex</b>	<b>Sport Exercise Science</b>	
MATTHEWS Phillip	<b>De Montfort</b>	<b>Product Design</b>	
McManus Tim	<b>Nottingham</b>	<b>History</b>	
NEWSTEAD Bradley	<b>Bishop Grosseteste</b>	<b>Education Studies/English</b>	
OGDEN Sam	<b>Sheffield</b>	<b>Biochemistry</b>	
O'HERN James	<b>Loughborough</b>	<b>Management Sciences</b>	
LOWOFELA Jermaine	Deferred entry		

PANTON Luke	Sheffield Hallam	Product Design	
PARKE Samuel	York	Chemistry	
PARR Simon	Sheffield Hallam	Product Design	
PARSONS Jack	Warwick	Chemistry	
PARTRIDGE Ben			Employment
RANKINE Conor	York	Chemistry	
		Business and Management	
REGAN Nicholas	Exeter	Computer Science	
REID Philip	Nottingham Trent	Medicine	
RICHARDS Jonathan	Queen Mary London		
	University of Greenwich	Civil Engineering	
RIDDOCH Luke	Bristol University	Product Design	
	West of England	Technology	
ROBERTS Michael			
RUSSELL- WEBSTER Bradley	Cardiff	Chemistry	
SHANAHAN-KLUTH Conor		Physics with in North America	
SHORTHOUSE Thomas	Salford		Employment
SIMEONI Adam	Surrey	Law with International Studies	
STAMP Joshua			Employment
STOBART Cory	Sheffield	Physics with Medical Physics	
TARRY Daniel	Oxford	Geography	
THOMAS Benjamin	Lincoln	Graphic Design	
TUPHOLME Luke	Leeds Met	Sport Exercise Science	
VERTIGAN Tom	Leeds Met	Sports Marketing	
WADE Edward	Sheffield Hallam	Journalism	
WALTON Alex	Sheffield Hallam	Business and Enterprise Management	
WARD Charlie	Leeds Met	Sports Coaching	
	Loughborough College		
WATHEN James	Cambridge	Sport Science	
WATSON Tom	Sheffield Hallam	Asian and Middle Eastern Studies	
WEBSTER Freddie		Media	
WELLBELOVE Austin	Oxford	Theology	
WHEELER Oliver	Leeds	Geological Sciences	
WILLIAMS Jack	Keele	Medicine	
WITHERS Gareth	Brighton	Mechanical Engineering	
WOOD Richard	Durham	Natural Sciences	
WRIGHT George	Leeds	English and Theology	