



# Eckington School

13<sup>th</sup> February 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

As we reach the end of this half term, I would like to take the opportunity to thank you for your continued support of the school.

Despite the rather challenging weather, this has been a very positive and productive half term at Eckington School. Throughout this period, we have continued our focus on strengthening teaching and learning across the school. It has been particularly pleasing to see the progress being made in classrooms, especially in the way teachers check for understanding to ensure students are secure in their learning.

We have also been delighted with the consistently positive standards of student behaviour in lessons. Calm, purposeful classrooms are essential for effective learning, and our students continue to follow the Eckington Way (Safe, Calm. Polite & Kind, Ambitious and Prepared).

I would also like to highlight an important development in our communication with families. Mr Shore (Assistant Headteacher) will be sending half-termly updates to parents, providing clear information about your child's learning. These updates are designed to strengthen the partnership between school and home, helping parents to better understand and support their child's progress.

As a school, we are looking forward to welcoming a visit from Ofsted in the forthcoming months where we will be able to recognise the significant progress that has been made over the past 3 years.

Our core priority remains steadfast: **Ambition for all students**. In particular, we remain deeply committed to ensuring that our most vulnerable learners, including those with additional educational needs, receive the highest level of support and opportunity to thrive.

Education plays a vital role in shaping young people's futures. Regular attendance, positive engagement and strong collaboration between home and school are key to ensuring students maximise their full potential.

Thank you once again for your ongoing support and I would like to take this opportunity to wish you and your families a nice half term break. School will reopen to students on Monday 23 February 2026.

Yours faithfully

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