

Dear parents/guardians,

As we approach the end of another year, we would like to start by thanking you for your support and engagement in working in partnership to support your young person. We have, as ever, deeply appreciated all the lovely comments from parents during parents' evenings across the year and would like to thank you for the cards and gifts that we have received. It has been a pleasure to see the young people grow and develop across the year and celebrate progress and milestones with them and we are proud of every single one of them.

We'd like to give a special mention to our Year 11 students and all those who have taken exams this year. We are looking forward to continuing to work with some of them next year as they transition into the school. We have also seen a few of our students returning to other schools, and we are equally proud of them and their progress. We will miss them, it is always a mixture of sadness, happiness and pride to see students spread their wings and move on.

Likewise, we will be sad to say goodbye to Ellie, one of our fabulous TA's who has worked so hard for the students and will be sadly missed. I would like to say a personal thank you to all our staff who have worked fantastically hard with the students in the Trust, with a special thank you to Tracy, who is so dedicated to the students in Approach. Our team constantly put in many hours of preparation and planning to form lessons and activities that the students enjoy as well as completing additional courses and training. I would also like to say a personal thank you to all the students who have been their fabulous selves and have made the year such an enjoyable and varied experience. We are so very lucky that they are a part of the Trust family and that we have had the privilege to watch them grow across the time that they have been with us.

Finally, we hope that you have a fantastic summer break and look forward to hearing about your adventures and activities from those of you returning in September.



As this school year comes to an end and I reflect on our successes, challenges, and the things that haven't gone as well as we wished and from which we can learn, I keep coming back to how grateful I am.

I am grateful for our students, how they work on meeting challenges in their lives and the energy they bring to our school. I am grateful for their caring and consideration they each have for other students. I am impressed by how our final year students did their best taking exams over these past few months.

I am grateful for our Board of Trustees. They bring a wealth of knowledge to our Trust, but it is their energy and selfless volunteerism dedicated to the needs of our students that I am most grateful.

I am grateful to our entire staff. They continue to amaze me with the way they meet the challenges brought to them every year. They demonstrate a commitment to our students, the mission and ethos of our school and Trust, and a level of caring about each individual student that is above and beyond what I could reasonably expect.

Thank you all,

Edward

Pastoral

At Connie Rothman Learning Trust, we are committed to supporting the wellbeing and mental health of all our students. All staff play an active role in promoting a positive and nurturing environment, working collaboratively to help each student thrive emotionally, socially, and academically. For those who require more focused support, we offer weekly therapeutic sessions tailored to individual needs. Alternatively, students can access regular check-in sessions to ensure they feel heard, supported, and valued. These sessions will be reviewed every 6-8 weeks.

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We are all looking forward to the summer break at Approach, after another very busy term. Again, students have taken exams and are awaiting results. Two students successfully completed Entry Level maths and are now completing access units to begin to study GCSE in September. We are very proud of their achievements.

Our year 10 students are working hard on GCSE maths and English language content and have all made great progress so far.

We have again had some new students starting with us, as well as some leaving to join the main school or to start at other settings. We will miss them all, but wish them lots of luck!

Some of the students have been working on a unit on comedy writing, which has been really enjoyable. We looked at homophones and how they could be used in joke writing. We then went on to research and write some jokes of our own. We've put some examples below!

We also wrote a comedy sketch, based on taking an everyday activity such as switching on the TV and breaking it down in to tiny parts. Who knew that switching on the TV could be funny?!

Have a lovely summer break,

Tracy

Joke Writing

Yesterday, I saw a guy spill all his scrabble letters on the floor. I asked him- 'what's the word on the street?'

Want to hear a construction joke? Never mind, I'm still working on that one!

What do you call a rooster staring at a pile of lettuce? – Chicken Caesar salad!



Friday 18 th July 12pm	Term ends for summer holidays (no afternoon session)
Wednesday 3 rd & Thursday 4 th September	Inset days
Friday 5 th September	All students return
Tuesday 23 rd September	Parents Evening - booking link will be e-mailed in September
Monday 27 th - Friday 31 st October	Half Term break
Tuesday 18 th November	Parents Evening
Friday 19 th December 12pm	Term ends for Christmas Holidays (no afternoon session)
Monday 22 nd December - Friday 2 nd January	Christmas Holidays