

9 February 2026

Dear Parents

### **February Half Term**

The last day of school before the half term is Friday 13 February; this will be a normal school day with closure at 3.30pm. Students return to school on Monday 23 February.

### **Holiday Vouchers for Free School Meals**

The school will be distributing £10 vouchers to all students eligible for Free School Meals on Wednesday 11 February. We shall also be distributing vouchers of £20 on Thursday 19 March to cover the Easter holiday. We have been informed that it is likely that this is the last time vouchers will be provided as the government looks to change the way it supports families.

### **Knole Community Store**

The Knole Community Store, which looks to support families in need, has seen a recent increase in the utilisation of its service which has stretched our resources. The store runs on donations and fund raising; if any individual or organisation would be kind enough to contribute it would be greatly appreciated. The bank details for the community store are:

**AAT t/a Knole Academy, Sort code 30-93-60, account no 82420468**

### **Collection of pupils from the school site**

I have never visited a school where there is adequate infrastructure given to parents collecting students at the end of the school day. Thank you for considering our neighbours and the general vehicular movement where collecting. In recent weeks we have had an increasing number of parents who have decided to collect from the side bus car park. This area is reserved for buses and taxis for students with health needs. We expect students to be walking in this area to access various bus waiting areas, and we do not want cars creating a risk to these children. Please do not try to access the bus waiting area.

### **Change to Go Coach bus routes**

To alleviate overcrowding and in some cases, students being left behind at Knole Academy at the end of the school day, Go Coach have made changes to the S3 and S34 service starting after half term. Please see the attached flyer for details.

Best wishes



David Collins