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# Sixth Form Newsletter 13/09/24

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to the first newsletter of the year. Hopefully you had a lovely summer and managed to get away on holiday.

#### **Return to school**

We wanted to start expressing how impressed we have been with the start both year 12 and year 13 have made to the year. They have engaged with their learning and the wider Sixth Form experience and staff have been complimentary of their start to the Sixth Form journey.

#### Year 12 Parents Information Evening

On September 26<sup>th</sup> we have our Year 12 Parents Information Evening. This will be taking place from 6:30pm until 7:15pm in the dining hall. The evening will be covering the key information parents need around life in Sixth Form, progression pathways, and general information about how to be successful in Sixth Form. More information will be shared next week, with a form to complete to inform us if you plan to attend.

#### Sixth Form Attendance and Punctuality

As parents in year 13 will know, we track and monitor Sixth Form attendance and punctuality on a weekly basis. As a reminder, attendance at form time is compulsory and a key part of our delivery in Sixth Form. If students are missing from a form time session or are late to two or more form time sessions in the week, the Sixth Form team will communicate this home to you on a Friday to make you aware of our concerns. We thank you for your support in this matter.

### Year 13 exams

The first set of year 13 exams is taking place from Monday 21<sup>st</sup> October. This will be an opportunity for our students to understand the progress they are making this year and the steps they need to undertake to have continued success this year. Mr Whitehouse will be sharing the exam timetable and key information next week.

### <u>UCAS</u>

As a reminder, UCAS is now fully up and running. The key date on the horizon is 15<sup>th</sup> October, which is the deadline for early entry. All our students should aim to have their UCAS sent by the end of this term. Myself and Mr Whitehouse are working with the early entry students to make sure they are ready for the above deadline.





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## Dress code

A reminder of the dress code is below. Tutors will be discussing issues next week. Any questions, please ask.

| Item     | Examples of appropriate   | Examples of items that       |
|----------|---------------------------|------------------------------|
| 10011    | items                     | are not appropriate          |
| Trousers | Tailored trousers         |                              |
| Trousers | Chinos                    | Joggers<br>Tracksuit bottoms |
|          | cillion of                |                              |
|          | Smart jeans               | Ripped jeans                 |
|          | Smart shorts              |                              |
|          | Leggings                  |                              |
| Skirts   | Skirts and dresses of     | Skirts and dresses           |
|          | appropriate length        | inappropriate for a          |
|          |                           | secondary school             |
| Tops     | Shirts                    | Strapless tops               |
|          | Polo shirts               | Tops where midriff is        |
|          | Smart T-shirts            | showing                      |
|          |                           | Sports shirts                |
| Jumpers  | Smart jumpers             | Jumpers with                 |
|          | Cardigans                 | large/offensive logos        |
|          | Hoodies (with hoods       | 5.                           |
|          | down)                     |                              |
| Shoes    | Sensible shoes or smart   | Flip flops (H&S reasons)     |
|          | trainers                  | Sliders (H&S reasons)        |
| Other    | Coats and jackets are     | Hairstyles should not be     |
|          | allowed but must not be   | extreme                      |
|          | worn in classrooms        |                              |
|          | Hats are allowed but must | Jewellery should not be      |
|          | not be worn indoors       | excessive                    |
|          |                           | CACCOSITO                    |
|          | Student lanyard must be   |                              |
|          | worn at all times         |                              |
|          | worn at an unles          |                              |

### Open evening

The main school open evening is taking place next week. As a reminder, we expect all Sixth Form students to help out. They can volunteer to work in departments, be tour guides, support with car parking or generally support around the site. We thank them in advance for their help.

Hope you all have a good weekend.

Kind regards

David Constable

Sixth Form Lead



