



30 June 2022

Dear Parent / Carer

End of Term Arrangements - Year 12

As we approach the final few weeks of term, I wanted to provide you with clarity regarding the specific arrangements for year 12.

W/C 4 July - Year 12 mock examinations - Your child will have mock exams for most of their level 3 subjects which will inform a crucial end of year 12 assessment point and provide a basis for UCAS predicted grades issued early in Y13. Your child received a personalised timetable on Monday and should attend lessons for any subjects that they do not have mock examinations in. Please note that your child is not expected to attend lessons for subjects that they do have mock examinations in. Significant guidance has been given around the mock programme and examination guidelines through our tutor period programme. Your child has also been given support around revision strategies and advised to prepare for the exams fully in order that they are an accurate reflection of your child's capabilities. It's crucial that these mock examinations replicate those in the summer of year 13 and we therefore have really high expectations surrounding your child's attendance and punctuality. For your reference your child needs to be onsite before 9AM for a morning exam and 12:45pm for an afternoon exam.

W/C 11 July - Year 12 allocated work experience week - Throughout the academic year we have been encouraging your child to arrange and undertake a relevant work experience placement during this week. Obtaining in person placements has proven particularly difficult for various reasons, not least transitioning out of the Covid pandemic and a slow return to the workplace for many companies. Whilst the vast majority of students have secured a placement, those without will be expected to attend Sixth Form for the w/c Monday 11 July and I will write to you separately where this applies to your child. Those students who have placements were asked to confirm arrangements with the employer this week to ensure clarity around things such as working hours, attire and lunch arrangements. Should your child need any support with this then please feel free to contact the Sixth Form team directly.

W/C 18 July – Final week of term – Sixth Form students will be in normal lessons on Monday 18 July and Tuesday 19 July. On Tuesday 19 July your child will be expected to attend an end of term assembly at 8:50am, during which they will receive their mock examination results and an end of year 13 projection. This is a crucial checkpoint for progress and therefore on Wednesday 20 July your child will receive a 1:1 meeting with their personal tutor. These meetings will be in person, taking place within normal school hours and will review their academic progress, discuss post 18 plans and set targets for the summer break and autumn term as your son/daughter moves into year 13. Parents or guardians are welcome to attend this appointment, either virtually or in person. Please can you complete the following form to indicate whether you intend to attend with your child – <https://forms.gle/bX1mBaMXqFQAFyZx6>

On Thursday 21 July all year 12 students have been invited to attend an end of year trip to Alton Towers, which you will have received recent communication regarding. The final deadline for confirming attendance is Friday 1 July.



Finally, your child's last day will be the Alton Towers trip on Thursday 21 July, with no Sixth Form students expected to attend site on Friday 22 July. Your child's summer break will run until Monday 5 September 2022 with further details regarding this to come in due course.

University Applicants

Over the course of the last few weeks, students who plan to apply for University have been receiving support within their tutor periods to begin completing their UCAS applications. The next stage of this is to research options and crucially, begin work on their personal statement. Your child will receive support and guidance with this over the final weeks within their tutor periods and will be set the task of working on this over the Summer. If your child needs advice or guidance prior to the Summer break, they can discuss this with the Sixth Form Team or their personal tutor.

As a Sixth Form Team, we wish you and your family an enjoyable Summer break.

Kind regards

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Richard Graham'.

Richard Graham
Head of Sixth Form