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Dear Parents and Carers

With the summer exams fast approaching, we wanted to write to you to let you know some of the areas of support that are available to our Year 13 students and the arrangements for the exams.

Subject staff have been working with students over the past two years to help them to prepare for their final exams and are currently offering additional support during and after school (programme of support attached).

In addition, I attach a copy of the Year 13 exam timetable and a powerpoint outlining all the exam protocol.

In school, students have also been given extra guidance and support in preparation for their exams through the tutor programme and their subject lessons.

The run up to exams can often be a stressful time for students, but also for parents. I operate an open door policy so students know they can come and seek support whenever they need to. If, as a parent, you are concerned please do not hesitate to get in touch.

It is now up to the students to take advantage of all the support that is being offered and complete the final hard push before the summer exams! A copy of the subject revision sessions timetable is attached along with a revision booklet that has been shared at various points this year with the students which has some useful hints and tips.

Lesson attendance is compulsory for all students in the lead up to exams. Teaching staff will continue to remain available, with the expectation that students attend **all** lessons until the final examination in that subject. There are exceptions to this, for example, if a student has an exam in the afternoon they may be excused from lessons in the morning to prepare.

Moving forward it is vital that students communicate with the Sixth Form Team around lesson attendance during the exam period. The rationale for maintaining compulsory lesson attendance is so the students have the consistent support and guidance of their subject teachers. It also offers them the routine and study environment, which so many of our young people thrive in, away from the distractions they may find at home.

Key Dates

The deadline for Student Finance applications for students going to university in September 2024 is 17 May. There is a step-by-step guide on our Sixth Form page of the school website, which has been shared with students during assembly, to assist.

Our Summer Ball will be held at the Duke of Cornwall on Friday 28 June. Payment can still be made up to and including 1 May 2024. An extension can be made for this, please contact me directly if this required.

A Level Results Day: Thursday 15 August. More information about the location and when the school opens for the results will follow. If students are away for results day they have been advised to discuss with me so we can arrange for results to be sent electronically.

I wish all students the best of luck in their final exams and look forward to celebrating their time with us at the Year 13 Summer Ball on Friday 28 June.

As always, I would like to thank you for your continued support. Please do not hesitate to contact me should you have any questions or concerns.

Yours faithfully



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