

Friday 11th September 2020

Dear Parent/Carer

Sixth Form Welcome

I am writing to tell you about our first week back in Sixth Form and inform you of our procedures and daily routines. We have been delighted to welcome our new year 12 students along with the returning year 13's. All of our students look very professional and have been ready to learn. Teachers have reported excellent engagement in lessons which is, as you can imagine extremely important at Key Stage 5.

As our students are entering the school building in a queue system that may include being outside for an extended period of time, please can we advise that students have adequate clothing for inclement weather including an umbrella where required.

Year 12 Daily Routine

All year 12 students are currently expected to be on site for the entire day (9:00 - 3:30). They are however permitted to leave site at lunchtime should they wish to eat lunch off site. They are to arrive back on site after lunch promptly at 13:50 for lessons and private study. We are, as you can understand trying to re-establish learning routines for our new students who have not been in full time education since March. We will review Year 12's daily arrangements once these routines have been successfully embedded and the required level of academic progress has been made.

Year 13 Daily Routine

Year 13's are allowed to arrive at 11 am if they do not have Period 1 Lessons. They are also allowed to leave at lunchtime if they do not have afternoon lessons. We are aware that most of our students will however choose to be on site in order to study which naturally we welcome. Our expectation is that all students attend 100% of their timetabled lessons.

Year 12 Tutor Focus: Study Skills and A Level Mindset Programme

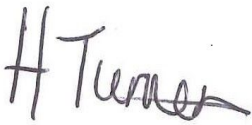
As previously mentioned, we are re-establishing learning processes and routines with our students. Therefore, study skills will be the main focus for our tutor programme in terms 1 and 2. We will also be completing the A Level Mindset Programme which is a great tool for focusing students on setting future goals and developing successful learning strategies.

Year 13 Tutor Focus: UCAS (university applications), Employment and Training

Our tutor programme in term 1 and 2 for year 13 will focus on UCAS, employment and training. The Sixth form team will be working closely with your child in preparing both CVs and UCAS applications. Our aim is to ensure all students complete their personal statements for both UCAS and employment within term 1.

This is an exciting time to be a student within our Sixth Form and we look forward to continuing to support your child in achieving their potential. If you have any queries or comments please do not hesitate to contact Mrs Turner - Director of Sixth Form or Miss Stokes - Sixth Form Progress Leader.

Yours Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'H Turner'. The signature is written in a cursive style with a large 'H' and a long, sweeping tail.

Director of Sixth Form