Vyners School

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Sixth Form Bulletin

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GENERAL NOTICES

A warm welcome back to all of our Year 13 students and to our new Year 12 students this academic year. It has been an incredibly positive week with everyone settling straight back in the routine of lessons (and enjoying catching up with friends after the holiday).

We are so looking forward to the year ahead and can't wait to celebrate the achievements of our Sixth Form students. We thank you in advance for your support. If you have any queries, please use the contact information above to get in touch with a member of the team.

Uniform

Thank you to the majority of our students who have returned looking incredibly smart and adhering to our dress code.
As a reminder - bodycon skirts, incredibly short skirts and skirts with large splits up the thigh are no longer permitted.
Please see the attached document here for more clarification.
If a student is in doubt, then they can bring the skirt to school for approval prior to being worn.

YEAR 12 NOTICES

Sixth Form Admissions

Please read the Sixth Form Admissions - Information Booklet (attached here) carefully with your child.

Once read, please complete the Sixth Form Permissions and Policies google form to consent to all policies outlined in the booklet. Some parts of the form will require you to state that both you as a parent/carer and the student have consented.

The deadline to complete this Google Form is **Friday 25th September 2026.**

Student Leadership

This week in assembly, students were shown a number of leadership/community champion roles that they can participate in at Vyners School. These roles are an opportunity to instil effective leadership skills that serve as the foundation of shaping individuals in order to motivate and achieve goals. A google form has been shared via Google Classroom, which needs to be completed by **Friday 18th September 2026 by 15:00,** if students are interested in taking up one of the roles.

If students are interested in becoming part of the Student Executive team in Year 13, which makes up our Head Boy/Girl and Deputies, then it is compulsory that students apply to become a Senior Prefect this year.

Please encourage your child to apply and talk of the benefits of volunteering and developing other skills that future employers look for alongside their academic studies.

Junior School Open Evening - Wednesday 23rd September 2026

All Year 12 students have been invited to volunteer at the Junior School Open Evening taking part on **Wednesday 23rd September**. Year 12 students may be used to deliver tours of the school, help represent departments within the school or be used to welcome guests and signpost parking.

If students are interested and would like to volunteer to help out in the evening, they need to speak to the departments they would like to help out in, or Miss Alonso/Mrs Guernieri/Ms Hussain/Mrs Coyle to volunteer as a tour guide, to get a parental consent letter.

On this day, school will finish at **12:20pm,** to allow the school time to prepare and set up for the evening. Students will then be expected back in school by **16:30** to help out, if they are volunteering in the evening.

The following day, students will need to be in school by **10:45am** for registration. Registration will be followed by break time at **10:55am** and then P3 onwards will be in line with a normal school day. If students only have a lesson P1 and P2 on **Thursday 24th September**, they do not need to come into school just for registration.

Sixth Form Open Evening - Tuesday 20th October 2026

All Year 12 students are required to be present to help out with the Sixth Form Open Evening.
Year 12 students will be delivering tours of the school to prospective Year 11 students and parents.
Students will be required to be on site from **17:00pm** and will be free to leave at **19:30pm**.

Year 12 Parent Information Evening - Wednesday 30th September

We would like to invite you to the Year 12 Parent Information Evening, taking place in the Main Hall on **Wednesday 30th September at 18:00 - 19.00,** to outline the year ahead. Please complete the google form attached here to register your attendance. You will have an opportunity to ask any questions in advance via the google form, or at the end of the presentation, but please do contact us by telephone or email if you need to speak to any of the team before then.

EPQ Presentations

We will be running our EPQ presentations differently this year and will be holding our presentation event after school on **Thursday 24th September**, in order that parents, family and friends, as well as other teachers can attend.

Guests are invited to come to the school hall **between 16.00 and 17.00 on Thursday 24th September** to see all of the EPQ presentations, which will be displayed exhibition style. Students will be available to

discuss their project and to answer any questions as part of the assessment process.

We encourage any Year 11 and 12 students who are interested in finding out more about the EPQ qualification and process to come along and see the finished result. There will be an opportunity to speak to the Y13 students about their experiences and to find out more about the project.

Please complete this brief Google Form click here to let us know that you are planning to attend and how many people will be in your party. On the evening, please report to the school reception where you will be met and brought to the hall.

YEAR 13 NOTICES

September Assessment Window

Some subjects will be running assessments in September, between the dates of **Monday 14th and Friday 25th September**. The aim of these assessments are to monitor students' progress over the summer and to identify any students who may need early intervention. Students will receive confirmation on which subjects will be running assessments and the dates of these assessments via Google Classroom. We have had some initial issues with Google Classroom, but these have been resolved as of today, so students should start to see the dates and times of their assessments.

Year 13 Free Parent Webinar Opportunity (External Provider)

We have been contacted by an external company regarding a free parent webinar opportunity regarding UCAS and personal statements. This is not linked to Vyners School, but parents may feel it useful to sign up and attend. Their advertising paragraph is included below:

Free Parent Webinar: The Final Push – Personal Statements and Uni Choices

The UCAS deadline is getting close — and it can feel stressful for both parents and students.
That's why Paul Hughes (ex-6th form tutor with 21 years' UCAS experience) is running a free session to help families feel confident and prepared.

📅 **Monday 10th November, 19:00 – 20:00** (Replay available if you register)
📝 Covers personal statements, choosing the right uni, and what really matters in applications.

It's practical, clear advice designed to make the final stage feel less overwhelming for everyone.
Register here: https://parentguidetoeducation.com/reg/ucas-final-push/4571

Junior School Open Evening - Wednesday 23rd September (16.30 - 19.30)

We are looking for around 60 Year 13 students, in addition to the Student Executive Team to volunteer to be tour guides and some car parking guides for this event. It would be great to see Year 13 students willing to give their time to showcase their knowledge of the school and their presence to support the many younger students who will also be guiding. Please can students see the Sixth Form team to sign up if they are willing to help for all, or part of the evening.

UCAS Predicted Grades

Predicted grades will be finalised by subject teachers, following any in-class assessments taking place in September, and will be emailed to students at the start of October. Early entry students will receive theirs earlier, as their applications need to be submitted by **15th October 2026.**

UCAS Predicted grades will not be changed following the Trial exams due to a Vyners UCAS deadline of **18th December 2026** (all applications to be sent by then).

UCAS References

Tutors will start writing references linked to each students' Unifrog profile, looking at shortlisted courses, courses attended and work experience details recorded in their skills, or interaction profile area. It is a much more streamlined and effective process for the tutors to collate the best reference, when students already have a draft of their personal statement on Unifrog, so can we urge you to ask your child to show you a copy, just to see where they are at. Over 10 re-drafts are not unusual and different people reading them can be very helpful. It can also be a great opportunity to share the journey of your child's achievements and successes, and celebrate all their skills and attributes with them, in addition to their compulsory studies, even if what you discuss doesn't make the final draft!

Overview of UCAS Dates:

	Internal school date to complete UCAS application and personal statement final draft for review	**UCAS Deadline for Equal consideration of applications**
Early Entry students	30th September 2026	15th October 2026
All other students	2nd November 2026 All Vyners student applications to be sent by 18th December 2026	15th January 2027

Despite the UCAS deadline for University applications being 15th January 2027, we will submit **ALL** Vyners applications by **18th December 2026**. This is because we will meet with students on a 1 to 1 basis before Christmas to review their UCAS applications, and we do not have the capacity to meet with all students after the Christmas break.

Year 13 Parent Information/UCAS Evening

Further to the UCAS and Next Steps Evening being cancelled before the summer holidays, due to the extreme heat, we are running this event, alongside our annual Parent Information Evening on **Wednesday 7th October**. This will take place in the Main Hall between **18:00 and 19.00**. Please complete the google form attached here to register your attendance. You will have an opportunity to ask any questions in advance via the google form, or at the end of the presentation, but please do contact us by telephone or email if you need to speak to any of the team before then.

VANGUARD LEARNING TRUST AND WHOLE SCHOOL VYNERS NOTICES

Junior School Open Evening

Parents / carers were sent a letter yesterday regarding early closure for the school on Wednesday 23rd September (at 12.20pm) due to Open Evening and the late start on Thursday 24th September (students should arrive between 10.30am and 10.45am). Please click here for the letter.

Safeguarding Snapshot

This week's safeguarding snapshot has information on supporting students starting back to school. Please click here for further information.

Co-Curricular Clubs

Please click here for the co-curricular club timetable for the Autumn Term.

LAMDA

Please click here for information for students to sign up for drama classes with LAMDA. If you have any questions, please email theatre@longlanetc.com

Canteen Reminders

Can I remind parents that the school canteen works in the following way:

All students have an automatic daily limit of £6.50. This includes their free school meal (FSM) allowance. Please speak to your son / daughter to make them aware of this allowance. They should not be regularly buying food for their friends as this may mean they themselves run out of money. We have the ability in school to adjust this daily allowance individually per child. Please email kwilliams@vynersschool.org.uk if you would like it adjusting either up or down.

Students in year 7 - 11 will not be able to use a normal contactless card to buy food. Using such a card removes any visibility you have, as parents, about what they have been purchasing. You cannot see a purchase unless it is made via ParentPay.

The FSM allowance is £3.02 per day. This is enough to enable a child to buy a full hot meal and drink at lunchtime. It will not be enough to cover a breaktime snack, and you may wish to send them in with something. The hot meal is the best value item - please make sure your child is aware this is a good choice for them to make.

If your child is FSM eligible, their allowance is spent first. Any purchases over £3.02 will need to be funded by you. Please top up the account in the normal way if you would like your child to have extra purchasing power. Any unspent FSM allowance does not roll forward and disappears from the system at the end of the day

It is the responsibility of parents to make sure there is sufficient funds on parentpay to enable a child to buy food. There is an emergency system of 'pink slips' in place for those occasions where there has been a 'glitch'. Students should not regularly be asking for these slips though and the school will be contacting parents if a student regularly comes to school with no packed lunch or money on their account.

Any further questions, please don't hesitate to contact me kwilliams@vynersschool.org.uk

Miss Williams
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Autumn Term Key Dates

Autumn Term 2026	
Monday 14th September	Year 7 Co-curricular Fayre
Wednesday 16th September	Year 7 Parent Information / Cheese & Wine Evening
Thursday 17th September	Awards Evening
Wednesday 23rd September	Junior School Open Evening
Monday 28th September	Year 11 Parent Information Evening
Tuesday 29th September	Year 9 Parent Information Evening
Wednesday 30th September	Year 12 Parent Information Evening
Friday 2nd October	FOV Quiz Night

Tuesday 6th October	Year 10 Parent Information Evening
Wednesday 7th October	Year 13 Parent Information Evening
Tuesday 13th October	Year 8 Parent Information Evening
Tuesday 20th October	Sixth Form Open Evening (applications open)
Friday 23rd October	Year 8 and Year 13 reports issued
Monday 26th to Friday 30th October – Half Term	
Friday 6th November	Year 11 reports issued
Friday 13th November	Year 10 reports issued
Wednesday 18th November	Governance Day
Thursday 19th November	Staff Conference (school closed to students)
Friday 20th November	Staff Conference (school closed to students)
Monday 23rd November	Occasional Day (school closed)
Friday 27th November	Year 12 reports issued
Friday 27th November	FOV Quiz Night
Tuesday 1st December	Year 11 & 13 Trial exams start
Thursday 3rd December	Senior Citizens' Christmas Party
Wednesday 9th December	VLT Christmas Concert
Friday 11th December	Year 9 reports issued
Tuesday 15th December	Christmas Lunch
Wednesday 16th December	Vyners Christmas Concert
Friday 18th December	Year 7 reports issued
Friday 18th December	**End of Autumn Term (12.20pm finish)**