Vyners School

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Sixth Form Bulletin

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GENERAL NOTICES

INSET Reminder

A reminder that school is closed next **Thursday 19th, Friday 20th and Monday 23rd November** for all students.

Sixth Form Key Dates

Autumn Term 2026	
Monday 26th to Friday 30th October – Half Term	
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 13 Trial exams start (Study Leave 4th December)
Tuesday 15th December	Christmas Lunch
Wednesday 16th December	Vyners Christmas Concert
Friday 18th December	**End of Autumn Term (12.20pm finish)**

YEAR 12 NOTICES

Year 12 Progress Checks

Year 12 students have now completed the majority of their assessments. Teachers are currently reviewing these results to establish each student's current working grade, and these reports will be available to you on **Friday 27th November.**

The current grade is determined using all available data and reflects the grades actually achieved by the student to date across assessments, homework, class contributions, and coursework. This process also provides students with valuable feedback, giving them a clear understanding of the specific areas they need to focus on and improve moving forward.

How grades are reported:

- A Level: Graded from A* to E (U = Ungraded)
- BTEC, Level 3 Diploma & Cambridge Technical: Graded as D* (Distinction*), D/Di (Distinction), M (Merit), P (Pass), or F (Fail)

Unifrog

This week students attended an assembly introducing Unifrog, an all-in-one careers and destinations platform that they will be using regularly during their tutorial time. Unifrog is an invaluable tool for helping students research their post-Vyners options, explore different careers, and compare university and apprenticeship pathways. Students can also use the platform to log their skills, achievements, and extracurricular activities as they go - giving them a ready-made record to draw from when it comes time to write their personal statements or CVs.

Year 12 Sexual Harassment Workshop

Year 12 students recently took part in a workshop on sexual harassment, delivered by an external speaker from **KISS** (the sexual health and well-being service for young people in Hillingdon). It was a very informative and engaging session, providing students with valuable awareness, practical guidance, and information on local support services.

YEAR 13 NOTICES

Year 13 December Trial Exams

The exams department has now published the list for the Year 13 December trial exams. To view the timetable and topics that will be covered in the trial exams, please click on this link. Now that students have this information, they should begin preparing for their exams. One useful strategy for them to do over the half term break is to create a revision timetable for the trial exams.

Year 13 Study Leave

Year 13 students will be granted study leave for their trial exams. This study leave will begin from **Friday 4th December**. This will mean that from this point, students will only need to attend school when they have an exam. However, any students studying subjects which have a high content of coursework, may be asked to still come into school to continue working on their coursework. If this is the case, subject teachers will be in touch with you directly and will communicate with students via Google classroom.

UCAS Applications Update

We are delighted to announce that we have now sent off over 50 UCAS applications for our Year 13 students. We have had lots of universities making some amazing offers to our students, even some unconditional offers and some with financial incentives! If you know your child is planning on applying to university, please remind them to book an appointment with their allocated member of staff to review and send off their application in good time.

Students not Applying for University

Any students who are not applying to university will also have a 1 to 1 meeting with a member of staff to support their next steps. These meetings will commence in the new year, once the UCAS deadline has passed. In the meantime, any students who are not applying for university should be working on their CV, cover letter and should start the process of applying for apprenticeships or jobs.

Reminder of UCAS Dates:

	Internal school date to complete UCAS application and personal statement final draft for review	UCAS Deadline for Equal consideration of applications
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 STUDENT LIFE - by Shaina Lakman

At the beginning of the week we had a PSHE session on the topic 'Sex in the Media', we discussed questions such as 'How accurate are Media Representations of Sexuality and Relationships?', 'How is Sex Portrayed in the Media', after discussing these we learnt about the benefits and harm sexual content could have on teenagers and how to stay safe online.

On Wednesday for Remembrance Day, we paid our respects by having a two minute silence to honour and remember those who died in conflict. We finished the week with an assembly from Mr Newbey on updated exam protocol and rules and regulations we have to follow for our upcoming trial exams. We also were told about the rules of using AI for upcoming coursework, to ensure that we don't get disqualified. We also had a PSHE session by Ms Harvey on the topic of 'Ethical Dilemmas', it was an interactive session where she discussed 5 scenarios and what we would do in those instances according to our morals.

VANGUARD LEARNING TRUST AND WHOLE SCHOOL VYNERS NOTICES

Safeguarding Snapshot

This week's safeguarding snapshot is regarding Com Networks (also known as The Com and including groups such as 764). They are online groups of people who set out to cause serious harm, both online and offline, through physical, sexual and financial crimes. Members gain status within the group by obtaining the most extreme and disturbing content. This includes coercing young people into recording or sharing images of sexual or physical abuse, either of themselves or of others. Please click here for further information.

YL Updates

Please click here to find information regarding our Environmental sustainability week.

Friends of Vyners AGM

Friends of Vyners will be holding their annual general meeting on **Wednesday 25th November at 6pm**. We will be discussing events for the rest of the school year to continue fundraising on behalf of the school and children. If you would like to dial into the call please email friendsofvynersschool@gmail.com for further details.