

**Sixth Form Bulletin 04.12.20**



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**Welcome**

It's that time of year when we have lots to look forward to - Christmas presents, mince pies and of course, Y13 exams! Year 13 students are now on study leave and have been working really hard in lessons and at home to make sure that they achieve their best in the trial exams. This has been supported by an exam assembly (attached) and loom videos on revision techniques and wellbeing. Students should check their exam timetables carefully and email the sixth form team with any concerns. Year 12 are also working hard and engaging in super curricular activities such as student leadership and the EPQ. Please also see the attached Sixth Form Wellbeing Noticeboard with some great suggestions for activities to support a positive mindset.

**Thank you for your donations to the Hillingdon Food Bank- there is still time to donate!**

Thank you to those who have already donated to the Hillingdon Food Bank. The boxes are being collected on Wednesday 9th December from school, so any donations before then will be gratefully received, either to the sixth form office or school reception. The items most needed are Longlife Juice/ Squash, UHT/ Powdered Milk, tinned meat, fish and fruit.

**Student Wellbeing**

Please see the link [here](#) for our well-being noticeboard packed full of tips to support mental health and mindfulness.

**Dates for your diary:**

<b>Monday 7th December - Thursday 17th December</b>	Year 13 written trial exams - click to see the link <a href="#">here</a> .
<b>Friday 18th December</b>	Last day of Autumn term
<b>Friday 15th January 2021</b>	UCAS application deadline

**Year 12 parents' evening**

Thank you for your patience and understanding as we trialled our first ever virtual parents' evening. Please email your child's subject teacher or Mrs Lane if you were unable to attend your appointment or there were connectivity problems, so that we can follow up with a phone call. You will have been sent a google form today from IT support in order for us to establish what worked well and issues to resolve before our next year group have their evening, so please do take the time to complete this, so we can have a broad picture of feedback.

### **GCSE results certificates**

Year 12 students who studied at Vyners in Year 11, will be issued with their individual GCSE examination board certificates next week. It is important to keep these in a safe place as original certificates can be requested from future courses or employers.

### **Year 12 and 13 Progress Reports**

Year 12 and 13 Progress Reports have been issued. Students who are self-isolating have been sent their report in the post and they can also be seen through Parentportal.

### **Year 12 and 13 Careers Appointments**

There was an opportunity for Year 12 parents to book an appointment at the Year 12 virtual parents' evening on Thursday. The careers advisor was also in school last Wednesday to see students who requested individual appointments and again on Wednesday 9th December. Students should email their Year Leader asap if they would like an appointment as there are only a few slots left.

### **A message from Mrs Coyle**

I am so proud of each and every one of our Year 13 students and how resilient, hard working and focussed they have been since their return to school in September. Their work ethic and determination to succeed has been outstanding and I wish them all the best for their upcoming mock exams.

### **Year 13 Trial Exams**

Students will have now received the Exam timetable which can be viewed in the following [link](#). Exams will begin on the **7th December 2020**. Year 13 students will be on study leave from this date and will only be required in school on the days of their exams.

### **Year 13 UCAS Appointments**

Appointments are filling up fast with Mrs Coyle, Mrs Harvey and Mrs Lane. Students will need to ensure that their UCAS application is filled in, personal statement and pending results added and application paid for **BEFORE** their appointment. Please do support your child with this over the next few weeks.

The following members of the school sixth form team have been allocated to process Year 13 UCAS applications. This includes checking details, personal statements, references and input of predicted grades.

13C and 13F - Mrs Coyle

13G and 13H - Mrs Lane

13M and 13W - Mrs Harvey

### **UCAS - Parent Information**

Please find some helpful links below with guidance to UCAS and careers.

- [How the application process works](#)
- [Parent Information Tool](#)
- [Student Finance and Support](#)
- [University Entrance Requirements](#)

- Writing a Personal Statement

**Contact us:**

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