

Sixth Form Bulletin 14.05.21

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Mental Health Awareness Week

This week we have been promoting Mental Health Awareness through presentations in tutorial time and resources made available on Google Classroom. A link to one of these documents with useful websites can be found here. In our school community, we pride ourselves on the kindness and respect we show each other and if you have any concerns about your child's well-being, please encourage them to speak to any member of staff who will be happy to support them.

Year 12 Assessments

The Year 12 end of year exams will take place between **24th May to 11th June**. The assessment topics and timetable are available on the school website here. Exams will be taking place in the sixth form bubble classrooms and students will need to report to room 268 before the start time to register. They will then be sent to their designated room to replicate formal exam conditions. In accordance with the updated face mask guidance, students can remove their face covering once seated for their exam.

During the assessment period, students will be on study leave and are not required to attend tutorial time. If students wish to study in school when not in exams, there will be free rooms available between 08:30 and 16:00. If a subject does not have an assessment, students will be advised by their teachers of lesson attendance arrangements.

Work Experience

We are pleased to see many of our students taking advantage of the opportunity to join online work experience sessions. Students are permitted to complete their work experience from home, as long as this does not impact on lessons. Any absence from school must be authorised before the event by completing a green absence request form available from the sixth form office. Failure to complete the form will result in unauthorised absence.

Year 13 Leavers' Events

Monday 24th May: Students are invited to attend school in their old school uniform. This also includes those year 13 students who joined us in year 12.

Tuesday 25th May: Inter house sports afternoon and leavers BBQ after school, to be held in the quad. Full attendance is required as registers and tutor group photos will be taken for the yearbook.

Wednesday 26th May: Fancy dress and Leavers Assembly. Students onsite at 11am and will be free to leave at 12.30pm.

Year 13 Yearbook

All students will be receiving a variety of google forms to help with the accumulation of information for the yearbook. Please encourage the students to complete this information. We would also like to include some photos of the students with friends/when they were in lower school. If you have any you wish to share, please do email them to acoyle@vynersschool.org.uk

Y13 Grading Information and Ofqual Guidance

We have been extremely impressed by the resilience and determination students have had during the assessment period. Thank you for the continuous support given to your child, which is a great contributory factor during these times.

Students will be informed of the evidence that will be used to determine their grades in the near future. When that time comes, students will be given the opportunity to raise any concerns by completing a Google Form and any concerns will be addressed by the school. The latest information is available at: Ofgual guidance for students, parents and guardians.

Year 13 School Accounts Access

The School accounts of Year 13 students will only be available until **Friday 22nd October 2021**. On this day all account access will then be removed and there will be no exceptions to the rule. Students can choose to transfer their Google Data out using Google Takeout. Please visit: Google Form to transfer data to a personal account. It is the responsibility of students to ensure they have enough space on their own personal account to transfer any school data.

Wearing of face coverings

The government has issued further guidance into the continued use of face coverings. From Monday 17th May students will no longer be required to wear a covering in classrooms or exam settings. Students are permitted to remove face coverings once they are seated and should put them on at the end of the lesson before leaving the classroom. Students and staff will be required to continue to use face coverings in communal areas where social distancing is not possible. This will include areas such as corridors, cafeteria queues and servery areas.

All staff and students are welcome to continue to use the face coverings in the classroom should they wish to do so and we will continue to support anyone who makes this choice.

Covid-19 self testing kit reporting

Students must continue to test twice weekly. All students should have now picked up their tests and if not, there are still some available in Mrs Lopes' room. Please encourage students to continue regular testing in accordance with government guidelines.

UCAS fair

Please see the following <u>link</u> for more information on the upcoming UCAS Fair on 26th May being held on virtually. This might be useful for both Year 13 and Year 12 parents.

Contact us:

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