

## Sixth Form Bulletin 24<sup>th</sup> September 2021

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### Weekly Quote

"Education is our passport to the future, for tomorrow belongs to the people who prepare for it today."

- **Year 12 and Year 13 Topics to be Studied Autumn Term 2021/22**

These are now on the website and can be accessed [here](#).

- **Year 13 Trial Exams**

These will take place between **Tuesday 30th November 2021 and 16th December 2021**. All exams will be in the gym and will take place in the afternoon. Details of which topics will be included in these exams will be issued soon and will come from the *Topics to be Studied information* for Year 13 that can be found [here](#). The assessments that have been happening in class this term are less formal and help teachers to identify gaps in learning that can be addressed, as well as adding to the student's data profile.

- **UCAS Grades**

Please be assured that UCAS predicted grades are a holistic indication of the best grade a student could achieve in a subject. These are **NOT Teacher Assessed Grades** and will not be taken into account if there is a teacher assessed element as part of the grading process in the summer. A UCAS prediction is a positive, yet realistic judgement based on the teacher's knowledge of the student's ability in their subject, as well as the grades that have been achieved by the student over the course of Year 12 and 13.

- **Open evening Wednesday 29th September**

We will be holding our Junior School Open evening on **Wednesday 29th September for year 6 parents and students** to view the school, as such the school day will finish at 12:20.

Thank you to those students who have already offered to be a guide or help in departments during the evening between **16:30- 20:30**. Students should have collected a consent letter to confirm their participation in the evening, which must be returned to school by Monday 27th October.

- **Tutor evenings**

Year group tutor evenings will be run virtually, with a pre-recorded video available to view at the start of the week and then an opportunity to request a call with your child's tutor in the evening.

**Monday 4th October: Year 12 and Tuesday 5th October: Year 13**. Further details will be published regarding the arrangements of this evening.

- **Locker allocation**

Students who have requested a locker have been allocated a number and location. They will need to bring in their own padlock to secure them. If any student still requires a locker, please speak to Ms Alonso.

- **Parent Portal information via Edulink**

Following an integration with Google classroom, Edulink now has a homework tab for parents\carers to see what work has been assigned to their child in Google Classroom. This is in addition to Google Guardian which also shows work set in Google Classroom.

All parents\carers should have received an invite to join Edulink. If any parents\carers have not signed up to Edulink then they can email [office@vynersschool.org.uk](mailto:office@vynersschool.org.uk) to ask to be sent a new invite.

- **Vyners Online Alumni Tuition**

We are fortunate to have secured funding to facilitate a programme of online tutoring for students in Year 13 as they work towards their final exams. This is run by our ex students who are now studying the subject being offered at university, having attained an A or A\* in the subject at Vyners School. This is a powerful, free intervention and one which has moved students up a whole grade in previous years. Students of all abilities and at all grades could be offered a place on this programme, depending on the availability of tutors. If your child is offered a place, we strongly recommend they take it up as places will only be offered once.

- **Year 13 Dates**

20th September - 1st October	In class assessments
4th October	UCAS predicted grades issued
4th October	Early entry UCAS school checking deadline
15th October	Final deadline for early entry applications to be received by UCAS
15th October	Internal school application deadline for all other applicants to complete UCAS form ready for checking.
5th November	Reports issued home
11th November	Subject Parents' evening
6th December - 16th December	Trial exams