Dear Parents and Carers of Year 11,

Subject: Key Updates

Careers Week:

Last week, we celebrated Careers Week. Students engaged incredibly well with the variety of events on offer, including information on their specific Next Steps, such as College, Apprenticeships and Sixth Form choices. Year 11 were spoken to by a range of staff, professionals and students, with the aim of not only creating a conversation about their future, but to aid confidence in understanding the wide variety of options available to them.

A personal highlight was seeing how seriously the year group took their 1:1 mock interviews. Not only did a large percentage dress formally for the occasion, but the majority also took their CV with them, receiving advice and feedback on what they need to do next to improve.

For those unable to attend our Parental Workshop, please find the recording [here]. I have also attached the slides to this email.

This coming week, the discussion around Next Steps continues. Every student in Year 11 is having a 1:1 meeting with a member of the Senior Leadership Team. This is an opportunity for students to be reflective and honest about what they want to do next academic year, and to have appropriate guidance on what is the right path for them. All students have been given their interview slot, time and location via email. Please ensure that you have a discussion with your child about this and the advice offered.

Trial Exam Results:

Today during period 5, we will be having our results assembly. Students will be given their progress report, containing their grades obtained from the December exams. They will have the opportunity to either stay and discuss their results with one of the Year 11 team, or can go straight home to digest. Results will be uploaded on Edulink on Saturday morning. Please ensure that you discuss these results with your child, as well as next steps. On **Thursday 1st February with Year 11 Parents Evening**, this is a fantastic opportunity to ask teachers directly for advice and guidance. Please see my previous communication home this week for details on how to book appointments.

If you have not logged onto EduLink previously, please see the attached document which provides instructions on how to do so. Please note that the email address you use must be the one that is registered with the school and that you must be listed as a Priority 1 or Priority 2 contact for that student. Also attached to this email is the accompanying letter to go with the progress report.

Please note that any subject specific queries need to go directly to your son/daughter's subject teacher. You can contact any teacher by clicking on the 'Email a member of staff' link on the Vyners school website.

Intervention and Revision:

Attached to this email, you can see the intervention and revision sessions available to students. Whilst this is not compulsory for teaching staff to offer, you can see the wide range available. I would highly recommend your child engages with this. Please encourage students to speak directly to their class teachers about other opportunities that may help them with their revision.

Safeguarding Notice:

Please click [here] for the link to this week's safeguarding snapshot.

I hope you have a lovely weekend.

Best wishes, Ms Hockley