

Sixth Form Bulletin

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TERM DATES: Please use this [link](#) to see the school term dates.

GENERAL NOTICES

Merry Christmas and Thank You

It has been a very busy term in Vyners Sixth Form. We have been so proud of the students' conduct and commitment to their studies. We would like to express our thanks to all parents and carers for your support this term. It has been great to see so many of our students supporting events such as Awards Evening, The Senior Citizens' Christmas Party, school Interhouse, the Trust Carol Concert and School Christmas Concert. This demonstrates our students' commitment to our school and community and makes us very proud to see how enthusiastic and mature they are in a range of different situations.

Year 13 have been juggling UCAS applications, university interviews and trial exams as well as supporting the above events.

We wish all of our students and parents / carers a very Merry Christmas and a peaceful New Year.

Final Day of Term

Attendance is compulsory for all Year 12 students on Thursday 21st December.

Students will finish for the day at the end of Period 2, 10:55 when they are free to leave the school site and commence their holiday.

Year 13 are not expected to attend school as they remain on study leave.

Year 12 and 13 return to school as normal on Monday 8th January

School Awards Evening

Well done to all the students who were congratulated at our Awards Evening on Thursday 14th December. We were treated to a wonderful performance from the Saxophone Quartet comprising two of our Sixth Form students Phoebe and William alongside two year 11 students.

Well done and thank you to Himmat and Chloe, our Head Boy and Girl, who delivered eloquent

speeches to thank the guest speaker and our school governors for the tireless work that they do to support the school. We would also like to extend our thanks to the year 12 students who volunteered to help out with car parking in very cold conditions. Our student volunteers ensure that all school events run as smoothly as possible.

Safeguarding Snapshot

Please see attached our most recent safeguarding snapshot [here](#).

You can find all our safeguarding snapshots online on the school website [here](#).

Vyners Sixth Form Key Dates

Key dates can be found [here](#).

YEAR 12 NOTICES

Super Curriculum

The super curriculum is a range of activities above and beyond the curriculum students are studying in school. It is aimed to support students with applications for jobs, apprenticeships and UCAS. In particular, participation in super curriculum can be the make or break for top universities when it comes to admissions offices reading personal statements and making decisions between students.

[Here](#) is a handy document with our top ten tips on accessing the super curriculum.

We urge that students start to research and actively participate in the super curriculum from now, as they will be submitting their UCAS applications this time next year.

GCSE certificates issued

Students have received their GCSE certificates this week either via post or in form time. Please can you check your child's certificates are correct with their names and also grades are all correct (even with re -marks). If there are any mistakes or you have any questions please email Mrs Desouza.

GCSE certificates need to be kept safe as they will be needed in the future for universities and may be requested by future employers.

Replacements can only be obtained directly from each Examination Board and incur a significant cost.

YEAR 13 NOTICES

End of year 13 celebrations

The year 13 Prom will be on Wednesday 26th June 2023. Students will also have the opportunity to contribute to a yearbook and also order a hoodie. Payments for these will open in the new year.

Exams Information

December trial exams are still running. Timetables and topic lists can be found [here](#) on the school website. Students remain on study leave until the end of term and are only required to be in school for exams. The exception to this is if they are required to complete overdue coursework for relevant subjects, but students and parents have been contacted separately regarding this. Please note - The following exams were moved and are on the timetable in blue font - students should check and amend individual revision timetables: Physics P2, History P2, PE P3, Further Maths P3.

Further exams information

Students had an assembly led by Mrs Harvey on exam protocol for the upcoming trial exam period. The assembly slides with more concise information were put on each tutorial google classroom for students to view.

Please note the following:

- December trial exam timetables and topic lists can be found [here](#) on the website.
- Students remain on Study Leave unless asked by teachers to come in for overdue coursework or intervention.
- Students can continue to use the study room and available free rooms around exams and any lessons that they are required to attend during this time.
- Students do not need to attend school on Thursday 21st December and we look forward to welcoming them back on **Monday 8th January at 08:25.**

UCAS Applications

60 students have now sent off their university applications. Students need to finalise their applications and make a meeting with one of the Sixth Form team on the spreadsheet shared with them to review and send their application. Students can still make appointments during their study leave.

Students need to be aware that these appointments will be capped at 15 minutes in January owing to the UCAS equal consideration deadline at the end of January . We also ask that if a student is unable to make an appointment, it is common courtesy to inform either Mrs Lane, Mrs Coyle or Mrs Harvey prior to the appointment.

Exam Certificates Purchase

Students and parents are now able to prepay for exam certificates for summer 2024 to be sent via post. The offer is now open on sQuid and is priced at £3.50.

It is imperative that students have their exam certificates for future job and university applications so please apply for this as soon as possible.