

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you are well and looking forward to the weekend.

Tutorial Assemblies

Each tutorial is responsible for delivering an assembly to the rest of the year group on specific themes they have decided. Today we had our first tutorial (8H) deliver their assembly on Kindness and Health. There was a lot of planning behind this assembly and it was delivered very well with great confidence. I look forward to the next tutorial assembly delivered by 8P on Anti Bullying next Friday.

World Book Day - Thursday 7th March

There are a number of activities the English Department are running within school for World Book Day.

To celebrate World Book Day we are having a **Bake off!** We are asking students and parents/carers to show us their baking skills by baking World Book Day themed cakes! We ask you to bring your World Book Day themed creations to the Library on the morning of Thursday 7 th March. Our judges will choose the winners and then we will be selling the yummy cakes at lunch time in the Library. All proceeds will go to The World Book Day Charity. The categories are most creative design, most delicious and most wacky.

Year 7 and 8's can get involved in the **World Book Day Scavenger Hunt**. This involves looking for signs that staff and students from the 6th form have caught the 'World Book Day Bug', transforming themselves into characters from some of our most beloved stories. They must write down either the character or book they come from in order to gain a point. They can then submit their sheet to their English Teacher. Prizes are in store! The deadline is 3.15pm on the 7th March.

Altering Skirts

Unfortunately staff have had to have many conversations with students in rolling their skirts or having had their **skirts altered far too short**. School skirts should be no shorter than just above the knee as per the uniform policy. I will be communicating home with parents of students whose skirts have been altered and are too short. You will be required to purchase a new skirt or have this adjusted back to the correct length. They will remain out of circulation for break and lunch until this has been met.

Options Form

A gentle reminder that students can now submit their options form. The link is both on google classroom as well as the school website

<https://www.vynersschool.org.uk/page/?title=Options&pid=277>

The deadline is Friday 22nd March. Students can resubmit their form at any time and the most recent form will be your final submission.

Sister Act - School Production

I am very much looking forward to seeing the school production tonight as I have heard amazing reviews this week. I would like to say a big well done to everyone who is involved (both cast and crew) in Year 8. I know this has taken a huge amount of effort and I know it has paid off. Well Done!

Place2Be

We will be working with Place2Be, a national charity supporting schools to improve the confidence and wellbeing of children and young people. Place2Be provides emotional and therapeutic support to children and young people, families and staff in more than 450

schools nationwide. We will have a service called Place2Talk which is open to all children and they can make an appointment during their break or lunch to spend 15 minutes with a trained counsellor, either by themselves or with a friend.

Place2Talk is operated using opt out parental consent. *Unless we hear otherwise from you (email to the school office), the school and Place2Be will assume that your child has parent/carers' permission to come to Place2Talk. The link to the full letter is [here](#) on the school website.*

Safeguarding snapshot

Here is the [link](#) to this week's Safeguarding Snapshot

I hope you have a lovely weekend!

Kind regards,

Miss Hawes

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