



Dear Parents and Carers,

We hope this letter finds you well as we navigate through an important time for our Year 12 and 13 students. We would like to update you on recent events and upcoming activities.

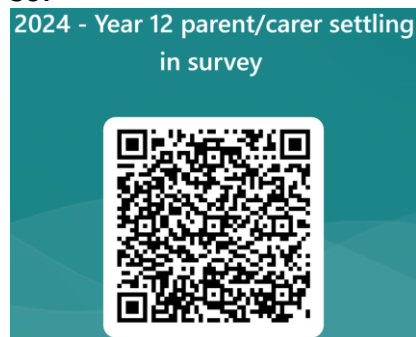
Firstly, we wish to commend our students on their exemplary conduct during the fire drill on 9th October 2024. The manner in which they followed protocols was impeccable and deserves recognition. It's crucial to emphasize the importance of such drills as they prepare students and staff alike for emergency situations, ensuring everyone's safety. Regrettably, we must address that three students left the site without signing out, posing a significant risk. The Senior Leadership Team is addressing this matter seriously to reinforce the importance of safety protocols.

Next, please be aware that on 18th October 2024, all Sixth Form students will be off-site due to the Year 11 taster day. This day is not a day off but a designated working off-site day. Lessons will be set for students to complete at home to ensure their continued academic progress.

In recent days, all Sixth Form students participated in an assembly focused on mental health awareness and the support available to them. We recognize the pressures that come with Sixth Form education and its potential impact on mental well-being. Rest assured, our school is equipped with dedicated tutors, teachers, in-school provision, and external expertise to support students during challenging times.

For Year 12 Parents:

We recently reached out to gather feedback on the first few weeks of Year 12. We thank those who have already completed the survey and encourage others to share their thoughts. Please click [here](#) to complete the survey if you haven't already done so.



Regarding attendance during form time, we have observed a slight drop in attendance from 96% to approximately 93% over the past two weeks. While we understand that illnesses occur, we stress the critical role of attendance in achieving





strong A-level outcomes. Encouraging attendance resilience is key to ensuring students maximize their potential.

We are very proud to share that a dedicated group of Year 12 students recently participated in a charity event at Cadence's office in Bracknell. Over the course of their visit, these students diligently packed 21,000 food bags filled with lentils, soy, and rice. These nutrition packages are destined for primary school children in Zimbabwe through the organization Rise Against Hunger. Their hard work and commitment were truly inspiring, demonstrating both their compassion and drive to make a significant difference. Well done to all involved for their outstanding contribution to this worthy cause!

For Year 13 Parents:

The week beginning 21st October 2024 marks the first set of Year 13 exams. All students will be on study leave during this week. However, tutors and teachers will be available during scheduled timetabled slots for those students who wish to access support on-site. Students have been provided with an exam support booklet to aid them in their preparations, and we wish them the very best of luck.

Additionally, we have a number of students applying for early entry UCAS applications, particularly for Oxbridge or Vet/Med courses, with a deadline of 15th October 2024. We extend our best wishes to all applicants during this crucial time.

We appreciate your ongoing support and partnership in ensuring the success and well-being of our Sixth Form students. If you have any concerns or questions, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Warm regards,

The Sixth Form Team

