



TOLL BAR SIXTH FORM

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Dear Parent/Carer

As we enter the final half-term of the academic year, we have much going on before we break for the summer, and can look back proudly on how much our Year 12 students have achieved this year. The half-term ahead is a busy one, with end of year examinations taking place, as well as preparations for the transition to Year 13, and the planning of next steps for our students.

Year 12 End of Year Examinations

Our Year 12 end of year examinations begin on **Monday 17 June** and continue until **Wednesday 26 June**. These examinations are exceptionally important for our students, both in terms of ensuring rigorous preparation for the demands of Year 13, and also in terms of informing the judgements made by subject teachers in the Autumn term, when arriving at predicted grades for the purpose of applications to university and apprenticeships. We welcome your support in encouraging your child to approach these examinations with the right mindset, and in reinforcing the need for thorough preparation and revision in advance of the examination period.

Students will be granted **Study Leave** for the duration of the examination period (Monday 17 June – Wednesday 26 June). This means that no lessons will be running, and **students will only be required to attend Sixth Form for their examinations**. When not in examinations, we expect students to be fully focused on independent revision for their remaining exams, not socialising or undertaking paid employment. Students are also very welcome to access the Sixth Form study areas throughout this period.

Arrangements for Examinations

Students have been issued with an examination timetable and will need to check this carefully so that they are aware of the date and venue for each examination. Morning examinations begin at 9:00am, and afternoon examinations begin at 1:00pm. Students should report to Atlas Block in Sixth Form 15 minutes prior to the start of each examination, where they will be registered prior to being escorted to the exam venue.





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We would appreciate your support in ensuring your son/daughter attends all examinations and arrives punctually. If your son/daughter is ill and unable to attend an examination during this period, the usual attendance procedures apply, and Sixth Form attendance should be contacted on 01472 500505. It is imperative that students catch up with any examinations that they miss in a timely manner, so we ask that following a missed examination, students report to the next session available in their examination schedule, in order to complete the examination.

Students should ensure that they bring with them all the equipment necessary for each examination, including two black pens, and any other writing equipment or specialist equipment required. This includes calculators for those subjects that require them. Students will not be permitted to take bags in to the exam venue, nor any electronic devices or wristwatches, due to exam board regulations.

Personal Statements and University Applications

In the final half-term of the year, our Year 12 students begin to focus more intensively on pathways they may wish to follow post-Sixth Form. The tutorial programme this half-term focuses on the writing of personal statements to support applications into higher education or alternative pathways. We encourage students to explore all options available to them, to conduct their own research, and to attend relevant open days wherever possible. To support students in considering their options, we are running a visit for all Year 12 students to the UCAS Discovery Exhibition at Hull University on Thursday 27 June. A separate letter and consent form has been issued in relation to this, and we encourage all students to attend.

We very much look forward to working with our students and their families over the weeks and months ahead, at this important and exciting time in their educational journey. As ever, please do not hesitate to get in touch with the Sixth Form Team should you have any further questions or concerns.

Yours faithfully,

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