

## **Year 10 Update – 15.09.23**

Good afternoon Year 10 Parents/Carers,

1. I hope you are well and all had a lovely summer break. It has been lovely to see students returning to school in Year 10 with a fantastic attitude and ready to learn. By and large students' behaviour and standards have been fantastic over the first week and a half.
2. As part of Vyners tradition, the whole school photo will be taking place on Wednesday 20th September in the morning. This includes every member of the staff and student body, depending on photo consent, and ensures that all students are part of the history of Vyners, as all of the previous photos are displayed along the corridor by reception. Students will be informed of the specific arrangements, but we would appreciate it if you could remind your child of this on the morning of the photo.
3. This year, as part of our emails home, we will also regularly include a safeguarding snapshot to provide parents with safeguarding information that we hope you will find useful. This weeks' safeguarding snapshot is focussed on vaping, which as I'm sure you are aware is a nationwide issue that has become a common occurrence for underage use. Vapes are often brightly coloured, often sold at off-licences and often flavoured with sweet tastes which lure young people into trying them. It is of vital importance that children are well aware of the potential health implications of vaping. Whilst this is something we continue to educate our young people in school, we would encourage you to open up the conversation around this at home. Action for Children have published a page on the matter which we hope will help you to do so. Please follow the link below to find out more:  
<https://parents.actionforchildren.org.uk/behaviour/challenging-behaviour/im-worried-about-my-child-vaping/>
4. Finally, as we begin the new year, I would like to officially welcome the new members of the Year 10 pastoral team. Ms Brown who was temporarily working with Year 9 last year will continue to work with myself and the year group as our SLT link and I will be supported by Mr Heath, who begins in the role as Deputy Year 10 Leader. Finally, I would like to welcome Ms Hussain, who is our new tutor for 10G. For your convenience, our new members of staff email addresses are below, should you need to contact them.  
Miss Brown - [sbrown@vynersschool.org.uk](mailto:sbrown@vynersschool.org.uk)  
Mr Heath - [rheath@vynersschool.org.uk](mailto:rheath@vynersschool.org.uk)  
Ms Hussain - [ahussain@vynersschool.org.uk](mailto:ahussain@vynersschool.org.uk)

I hope you all have a wonderful weekend.

Kind regards,

**Mr L Neville**  
**Year 10 Leader**  
**Teacher of Physical Education**