

Sixth Form Bulletin ***9th September 2022***

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WELCOME

We are delighted to have welcomed all Sixth Form students back into school this week. We would like to offer a particularly warm welcome to the Year 12 students who have joined us from other schools and also a number of consortium students from Ruislip High. We hope that all students are starting to feel settled into their courses and that students new to the school have not found themselves lost too many times and help has been at hand.

Special Assembly on Friday

We held assemblies for all year groups in the main hall on Friday morning to mark the news of the death of HM Queen Elizabeth II. Thank you to Mr Beale, Subject leader for History, for delivering such an informative and thought-provoking presentation with time for reflection. Thank you to all students for their excellent conduct. We are aware that this news may have affected some students' personal circumstances. Please do contact us if we can be of any support to your child in school.

GENERAL NOTICES

Google classrooms

There have been a few glitches with Google Classroom at the start of term, but these have now been resolved and all students should be in the habit of checking these regularly to receive details of work, subject information and extended opportunities within each subject area.

Tutorial and Year group Google classrooms are also a vital communication area, where, alongside assembly presentations, opportunities such as online courses, work experience, apprenticeships and information about university courses etc. are also shared.

Lanyards

All sixth form students have a lanyard which they must wear at all times when they are on the school site. The first time a student forgets their lanyard they will be given a temporary lanyard. If they forget a second time, they will be sanctioned and if appropriate, sent home to get it. If a student loses their lanyard they must buy a replacement on Squid for £3.

EduLink

A reminder that you can access student timetables and other information via EduLink, our new parent portal area. Please check that we hold up to date contact information for you. Parents can check and update their own details using EduLink but they shouldn't add any other contacts into their account. Parents can get separate EduLink accounts so must only update details in their own accounts.

Parents/ carers new to Vyners should have received an email from EduLink letting them know how to set up an account. All Sixth form students can access their EduLink account with their normal school login information. Any queries, please contact ITsupport@vynersschool.org.uk

Study Periods

Each student will expect to have compulsory study periods added to their timetable over the next couple of weeks where they must report to the study room for silent study and a register is taken. It does take a little time to organise these, so currently students are asked to use the study room or free room list during their non-teaching contact hours. A lesson on the timetable without a teacher or room assigned to it is a 10th period where teachers will set independent work to be completed, but students do not necessarily have to stay on site if it is a period 5, unless requested to by their teacher.

Printing

Sixth form get given a £2 credit per half term. Mono costs 3p per page and colour 8p. Colour is only available in the LRC. Parents can top up printing credits using sQuid.

Chromebooks

There are 70 chrome books for sixth form use that can be signed out and back in for the morning or afternoon sessions for students to use in free periods in other rooms.

WiFi

Students have been given instructions to be able to connect their own device to the Sixth Form WiFi

Lockers

We have a number of lockers available for Sixth Form students to use on a first come first served basis. They should bring in their own padlock and let Ms Alonso/ Mrs Lopes know the number locker they have selected to use.

Canteens/ sQuid cashless accounts

Sixth form students can use both canteen spaces to purchase food and drink during the day in free lessons and as a collaborative study space. Students may either use a debit card to purchase food and drink or the fingerprint system to link to the cashless catering sQuid account. No cash is accepted. Any student without a sQuid account should get a letter from the study room with instructions as to how to create an account.

Uniform

Please see this gentle reminder of our uniform expectations for sixth form students. We have high expectations of our students and will be completing rigorous uniform checks at the beginning of the new term. Any student not complying with the uniform expectations will be asked to either change into something more appropriate (from a range of black skirts and smart shirts/ blazers) that we will be keeping in the Sixth Form office from September or they will have to go home and change. We expect that students are dressed for a **formal** office/ work environment.

- A suit jacket/ blazer must be worn when walking around the school, as well as for assemblies and other formal occasions.
- Students should wear a suit or jacket and trousers or skirt, a shirt and tie or blouse / plain top.

- Skirts should be of a **sensible length**.
- If a jumper is worn then it should be a V neck, and should fit under a jacket.
- An official Vyners practical uniform can be worn for relevant subjects. This comprises a Vyners branded hoodie or plain black sweatshirt, plain black tracksuit bottoms and plain black trainers. **This is only to be worn on the days students have been informed they are having practical lessons.**
- A lanyard must be visible at all times when moving around the school.
- Outdoor coats should be plain with no designs or logos and must be removed in the school building.
- No hoodies, sweatshirts, jeans or trainers are permitted.

Term dates

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

YEAR 12 NOTICES

We hope that students are settling into their courses and the routine of the new school year. All assembly slides will be uploaded onto student google classrooms by Monday so that students can review all the information issued to date.

Please get in touch if you have any queries either to your child's tutor or one of the Sixth Form Team via the contact details on this bulletin. We do aim to respond within 48 hours, but if your request is very urgent, please contact the Sixth Form Team via telephone **01895 234342 ext 4244** where messages will be picked up daily.

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OPEN EVENING – Wednesday 28th September 2022 16.00-20.30

We will be asking all year 12 students to support the school by attending our Junior School Open Evening on Wednesday 28th September to help greet and guide visitors around the school or to be a guide in department areas (New students will be buddied up with a student who came to Vyners in year 11).

It is vital that students look their best for Open Evening and are welcoming and helpful. Correct uniform must be worn. It will be a long and busy evening but with the help and co-operation of our students, a successful one. Parents visiting the school are always particularly impressed by how polite, well informed and well-mannered our students are.

Please make clear arrangements for your child to get home safely afterwards. There will be no access to the school site to pick your child up and access to Warren Road will be limited; therefore you may need to arrange a suitable place to meet them.

Students will be bringing a paper letter home to get signed and returned.

YEAR 13 NOTICES

UCAS Information

All Year 13 students should now have completed a first draft of their personal statement which should have been shared with their tutor. Please be aware of the upcoming UCAS deadlines

Important Year 13 Dates

3rd October 2022: Internal Deadline for Oxbridge/Medicine/Veterinary/Dentistry and other early entry applications

15th October 2022: External UCAS deadline for all Early Entry Applications

15th October 2022: Internal Deadline for ALL other students applying to UCAS. Students will be able to make 1 to 1 appointments with Mrs Coyle, Mrs Harvey and Mrs Lane from this point to check through applications and send them to UCAS.

25th January 2023: External deadline for all applications to be sent to UCAS.