

15 September 2023



Vyners School
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Dear Parents and Carers of Year 11,

Subject: Parents Information Evening Thursday 12 October 2023 - 6pm - 7pm

I hope this email finds you all well.

The purpose of this email is to let you know just how well the year group has transitioned into Year 11 so far. They have faced lessons with enthusiasm, and many teachers have remarked on a noticeable change of attitude towards their learning. For this, please pass on our praise. I hope that this motivation continues to develop throughout the year ahead.

Year 11 Parents Information Evening:

I also wanted to take this opportunity to inform you about some upcoming key events. On **Thursday 12 October 2023**, we will be holding a **Year 11 Parents Information Evening**. This event will be from **6 - 7pm**, and will include important information including key dates and how to best support your child in their most important academic year to date. We will also be joined for the evening by chartered psychologist, Dr Martijn Van der Spoel. Dr Van der Spoel has worked with Vyners for a number of years, supporting students, staff, and parents alike, on how we can all best support students navigate their way through the year and assist in the many obstacles that they face. I look forward to seeing as many of you as possible.

Further Support:

Regarding how to support your child further this academic year, I would like to take this opportunity to signpost an additional free online event. The 2023 GCSE Summit is hosted by the ParentGuidetoGCSE and brings together experts from the world of education. The event is on **Sunday 17 September 2023** from **2-6pm** and has information and tips on the biggest game-changers for students, as well as how parents/carers can best support their child.

Topics for students include:

What really scores marks on GCSE papers.
Unlocking your motivation
How to excel in English language

Topics for parents include:

Are revision guides worth it?
The Magic 3: Making exams a breeze
Protecting your teen's mental health through their GCSEs
Future-proof decisions: How to avoid mistakes that could affect your child's future.
To book your free place on the event, you can register at: **thegcsesummit.com/register**

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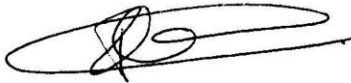
Vaping has become a common occurrence for underage use. Vapes are often brightly coloured, often sold at off-licences and often flavoured with sweet tastes which lure young people into trying them. It is of vital importance that children are well aware of the potential health implications of vaping. 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/>

Thank you for your support in welcoming Year 11 back to school. We again look forward to hosting you in person on Thursday 12 October 2023.

Best wishes,

Yours sincerely



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