

# Sixth Form Bulletin

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**TERM DATES:** Please use this [link](#) to see the school term dates and this [link](#) for Vyners Sixth Form key dates.

| Event  | Date   |
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| Yr 13 Final Exams  | 3rd - 21st June  |
| Yr 12 End of year Exams  | Monday 3rd - Friday 14th June ( <a href="#">Timetable attached</a> )   |
| Year 12 Lessons as normal  | Monday 17th June   |
| UCAS Day 1   | Tuesday 25th June  |
| UCAS Parent Information Evening  | Tuesday 25th June<br>6pm - School Hall   |
| <i>UCAS Day 2 (Split Year 12)</i><br>School Sports Day 1 Yr 7 & 8<br>Hillingdon Athletics Track    | Wednesday 26th June<br>12C, 12F and 12G to be at sports day. Hillingdon Athletics track<br><br>12H, 12M and 12W to stay in school P1-3. <i>UCAS Application prep/ apprenticeship/ CV support</i> |
| <i>UCAS Day 2 (Split Year 12) -</i><br>School Sports Day 2 Yr 9 & 10<br>Hillingdon Athletics Track | Thursday 27th June<br>12H, 12M and 12W to be at Sports Day. Hillingdon Athletics track<br><br>12C, 12F and 12G in school P1-3. <i>UCAS Application prep/ apprenticeship/ CV support</i>          |
| STAFF INSET DAY  | Friday 28th June - No students in school   |
| Yr 12 Progress Checks Issued   | Wednesday 10th July  |
| Y12 Emergency Parents Evening  | Thursday 11th July - virtual   |

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| Y12 Work Experience Week   | Monday 15th - Friday 19th July |
| End of Year 12 Summer Term | Friday 19th July               |

## GENERAL NOTICES

### **Congratulations**

Congratulations to Devina Daby for getting her black belt in Karate after a gruelling 2 hour assessment in Northampton last week.

### **Exam Season**

Exam season is well and truly upon us - a massive well done to all of the students who have completed exams so far. The anticipation and exam nerves can be felt, but their diligence, resilience and calm approach has been so commendable over the past few weeks. After half term both Year 12 and Year 13 will be sitting exams. Please read the information below carefully about exam protocol in the weeks following half term. If you have any queries or concerns then please contact a member of the Sixth Form team.

### **Absence Line - Exam Absence or Lateness**

If your child is ill on the day of an exam, please contact Miss Alonso or Mrs Lopes on **01895 234342 ext 4244** no later than 08:00. They will be able to discuss the situation and help you to make a decision regarding whether to attend the exam. Please also use this line to contact the school if your child is running late for an exam. We can then advise on where to sign in to ensure that they can sit the exam in the correct conditions.

### **Entrance to School during the exam period**

During Year 12 and 13 exam study leave, entrance to the school site will be either before the gates close for the morning exams or between 12:20 and 12:40 for the afternoon exams. Students should wear Sixth Form smart attire, with their lanyard at all times when on site and avoid entering the school at any other time. Students are welcome to come in to revise when they do not have an exam to work either in the study room, when there is not a year 12 exam running, or in a free classroom.

We know that it can also be a stressful time at home, so please see [this guide](#) with suggestions to help support parents/ carers at this time.

### **Safeguarding Snapshot**

Please click [here](#) for the link to this week's safeguarding snapshot on the Netflix checklist providing all the latest information on parental controls.

### **Study room**

There will be limited access to the study room for students wishing to revise independently after half term, due to year 12 exams taking place from 3rd June for 2 weeks. Year 12 students can use Room 118 and Year 13 Room 119 for any independent study over the Year 12 two week assessment period. The timetable is on the study room noticeboard and on the school website.

### **Work Experience**

If any parents have contacts with workplaces that would be interested in offering placements to any of our students, we would love to hear from you. Please email any details to



## YEAR 12 NOTICES

### **Year 12 Summer Assessments**

Year 12 Summer Assessments will begin on Monday 3rd June and run for 2 weeks. These will be formal assessments which will be sat in strict exam conditions. Students will be on study leave and be expected to only come in for their exams, unless they do a practical subject (i.e. OCR Sports studies) where students will be expected to attend lessons. Students are more than welcome to come and use **room 118** for silent study, when not used for exams. The [exam timetable and topic revision](#) lists can be found [here](#).

Any student who is coming in for coursework subjects or to use the silent study facilities MUST sign in at the study room.

### **UCAS Parent Information Evening**

There will be a parent information evening on **Tuesday 25th June at 18:00** for parents to get information about the UCAS Application process and also how to look for courses for your child. We will tell you everything that you need to know about UCAS and how your child is going to sign up. It is essential that all parents attend to get the most information they need about the process. It will also be a chance for questions to be asked and answered.

### **UCAS Days**

Students will be involved in UCAS days on 25th, 26th and 27th June. Students will be given more information in the next few weeks on how the sessions will run. They will be attending a carousel of workshops on writing personal statements, applying for apprenticeships, listening to talks from ex Vyners students and learning how to use the UCAS platform.

### **Work Experience week 15th - 19th July**

There have been 86 students who have managed to find work experience placements for the last week of the Summer term (15th - 19th July). If you have not done so already, please give details of the proposed placement via the [google form](#) sent out and we will then contact the company to confirm the placement. Remember work experience does not necessarily need to be the profession that your child would like to go into, but rather an experience that will help them to write UCAS personal statements and also to talk about at Interviews.

If you have not sorted out work experience, Mrs Lopes will be booking in student meetings to discuss options of work experience and work that will be completed in school, if work experience is not found after half term. If there are any difficulties in completing the form, or a company is requesting any further details from school, please do not hesitate to contact Mrs Desouza.

### **Super Curricular Assembly**

This week's assembly was on super curricular opportunities for students. Students should be able to write about any super curricular activity they have accessed in their self reference forms. These forms will be used by their tutors to write their academic references for UCAS. Although exams should take priority, study leave will be a good opportunity for students to start getting some ideas about what super curricular they should be accessing. They can be looking at journal articles, websites and MOOCs from Future Learn. [Attached here](#) is a copy of the assembly which was delivered on Thursday for more information.

### **University Admissions Tests**

Click [here](#) for information regarding university admission tests for Oxford, Cambridge, Medicine, Law and other competitive courses. Please read carefully. Students should contact Mr Kelly in the first instance if they wish to sit any of the admissions tests.

## YEAR 13 NOTICES

### **Year 13 - Revision Sessions in school**

Well done to those students who have taken advantage of bespoke revision sessions being run by teachers over the past two weeks.

Year 13 students have been exemplary in their exam conduct with the majority of students getting to the study room before 8.30am to register, receive any final reminders and support each other, so we hope this will continue after half term. The study room is open from 7.45am and it is wise to arrive early as traffic has affected some students having to rush to get into their exam venue, which is not an ideal position to be in.

Some teachers are running additional study sessions after half term for some of the later exams and will be communicating this via google classrooms.

### **Alumni tutoring**

A few year 13 students have missed sessions last week. This is the most vital time to get final help and advice from students who have been through the process more recently. Can we urge year 13 to keep organised to know when their sessions are and bear in mind that the ex- Vyners students running these sessions are also completing their own assessments and exams.

### **Summer exams**

Students have received a paper copy of their statement of entry for the summer exams and the final timetable can be found on the school website [here](#). Exams highlighted in orange are year 12 exams. Please also note that there are some AS exams taking place for Maths and Science, which only affect a few year 13 students. There is also a paper copy posted on the study room noticeboard.

### **Exam Clashes**

All students affected have been emailed with their individual arrangements. Please get in touch with the Sixth Form team if you have any queries.

### **Results day**

We will **email results to each student via their Vyners school email account just after 8:00 am on 15th August**. We hope this enables all students to have the information that they need to make decisions about their future choices. Students' individual university decisions will also be updated via UCAS track, therefore do not worry if you are away on Results Day.

On receipt of their results, students can request a call back from a member of the Sixth Form team via a Google Form which will be linked to the results email. Alternatively, the Sixth Form Team will be in school and available from 11:00 - 13:00 if they wish to discuss any issues related to their results. A link to the marking review and resit documentation will also be in the results email.

Yearbooks will be available for collection on results day. Hoodies may arrive before the end of term as we have now placed the order, but we will contact those who have ordered individually to let you know when they are ready for collection.

Please see this video and slides outlining the protocols and arrangements for results day.

[Y13 Results Day Loom video](#)

[Y13 Results Day slides](#)

### **Prom**

Wednesday 26th June at Venue 5, 446 Field End Road, Ruislip HA4 9PB 7.00pm-11.30pm

A reminder of details will be emailed home to students and parents the week before.

Tickets will be available on Squid to purchase until the end of May.

### **Vyners School computer accounts**

Y13 who will be leaving us in summer know that once they leave Vyners their accounts will only be available to them until Friday 27th October 2023. On this date the accounts and all data including emails will be deleted. There will be no exceptions to this rule unless students are doing retakes and still require access but you must inform us of this prior to 27th October as **once data is deleted it will not be retrievable by IT Support.**

Please note that any files that students own that they have shared with others will also be deleted.

Students can opt to transfer their Google Data out using Google Takeout. This requires them to have a personal Google Account.

It is the students responsibility to ensure they have enough space on their own personal account to transfer any school data.

Transfer to a personal account : <https://takeout.google.com/transfer?pli=1>

Or download their data (this is not advisable as they could have quite a lot).

<https://support.google.com/accounts/answer/3024190?hl=en-GB>

### **End of year dates**

**Friday 21st June- last written exam**

**Wednesday 26th June- Year 13 Prom Leavers' Event**

**Thursday 15th August - Results day / collection of yearbooks**