

## Sixth Form Bulletin

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

## GENERAL NOTICES

**Thank you**

What a busy half term we've had in the sixth form here at Vyners. A massive well done to all of our year 12 students who have settled in so well to sixth form study. It is a huge leap from GCSE to learning how to manage independent study time and the complexities of a level study. Well done also to our Year 13 students who have returned this year with determination and a new found resilience. This is a tough year, we make no qualms about that, but we are so proud of you all. We wish all of our students a really happy half term. A chance to revise, recuperate and reset ready for another busy term ahead.

**16 - 19 Bursary Fund**

This fund has been given by the ESFA to schools to enable students to overcome individual financial barriers to their participation in education. The fund is aimed at 6th Form students only and you may apply at any point in the year. Please use this [link](#) to see if your child is eligible.

## YEAR 12 NOTICES

**Year 12 Parent/ Carer Information Evening - Thursday 20th October 2022**

We were delighted to welcome so many parents/ carers to our information evening on Thursday with a chance to meet the Sixth Form team and have the opportunity to hear guidance regarding researching future opportunities and to answer any queries. We hope that you found the evening informative, but if you have any further questions, please do contact us. A copy of the presentation will be emailed to year 12 parents separately, but it is also now available on the [school website](#) for reference.

**Maths tutoring**

It was wonderful to see the level of energy and excitement in the Maths corridor after school on Thursday where the year 12 mathematicians were teamed up with the year 11 students they will be

mentoring all year. Thank you to all year 12 students involved as we know that their guidance and advice will be invaluable and make a huge difference to the year 11 students they are supporting.

### **Sixth Form Open Evening**

Please be reminded that Year 12 students will be volunteering at the Sixth Form Open evening **Tuesday 1st November 17:00 to 19:00**. If you haven't replied to the Google Form or emailed your consent, please use this [link](#) for your child to attend.

## **YEAR 13 NOTICES**

### **Key dates:**

**Friday 4th November:** Progress checks issued

**Thursday 10th November:** Year 13 Parents Evening

**Friday 14th October:** Final deadline for Early Entry UCAS applications

**Wednesday 25th January:** Final deadline for UCAS applications

### **UCAS Predictions**

Students received their UCAS predictions straight to their email inbox this morning. We have issued these earlier than the upcoming progress checks to allow students to digest them over half term and use them to inform their UCAS applications. UCAS grades are the most optimistic and holistic prediction for the student, based on all available information. These will be sent to universities as part of the UCAS application process. These grades are usually very optimistic and are a less reliable indicator than the Current Grades and Internal Assessment Grades that you will receive on 4th November. If students have any queries on these grades they can contact their subject teacher in the first instance.

### **Exams Information**

December trial exam timetables and topic lists can be found [here](#) on the website. Students will be on study leave during this time and will only be required to be in school for exams. More details on this to follow later.

### **Exam planning and revision**

Mrs Harvey delivered an assembly this week on exam planning and effective revision. Details of this assembly can be found in the Year 13 information room.

Students have also received a week by week template as a revision guide to use - Mrs Harvey spoke about the best practice for using these. Student templates can be found in the students' tutor google classroom.

### **Summer Exam Guidance**

**The Office of Qualifications and Examinations Regulation** (Ofqual) regulates qualifications, examinations and assessments in England. They have posted their guidance for summer exams which can be found [here](#).

### **Zero Gravity Mentoring**

Students had an assembly on a new mentoring initiative that we only recently found out about. It offers mentoring and support to students with university applications. To find out if your child may be eligible, they can sign up [here](#).