

# Aylesbury High School | #AHSWalksTall

Developing uniquely talented young adults, who are independent, strong and confident

## Dear Parent/Carers and students

We were delighted to be able to welcome our new students into Year 12 last week. We hope that the first week has enabled your daughter to settle into the sixth form, and has given them a sense of the exciting opportunities ahead. We have been really impressed with the way they have adjusted to Sixth Form life.

We wanted to share some key information and reminders as we look ahead to the rest of the year.

# Welcome Evening

We are holding our Y12 welcome evening on Wednesday 24 September, 5-7:00 pm this will be for both students, parents and guardians, and will give you an opportunity to meet with tutors as well as meeting key members of the sixth form team. Tutors provide the references for our students' Next Steps, so it will be a fantastic opportunity to get to know those who will guide them through the next two years on a daily basis, and to get some early feedback on how they've settled in.

We really encourage all parents to come along to understand the aims, objectives and support on offer in the Sixth Form. This evening will also contain an outline of support and information about Next Steps post-AHS.

#### Parentmail and Edulink

For parents/carers of students new to us this year, our two main parent platforms are Parentmail (for payments and letters) and Edulink (timetable and behaviour/achievement points). You should have received letters for both with the link to set them both up, however please email Mrs Kaley if this had not come through at skaley@ahs.bucks.sch.uk

## Sixth Form Charge

During your daughter's time in the Sixth Form at Aylesbury High School she will have many opportunities to explore options for life after AHS. These are designed to help her adjust to the new demands of independent study and to help her begin the transition away from AHS too, whether that be to higher education or the world of employment and training. Some of these activities involve external speakers and organisations coming into school. The cost of these activities is underwritten by a Sixth Form charge.

The combined cost of these activities is covered by a single voluntary contribution of £15. This amount also includes a contribution to the Sixth Form Fund (for maintaining kitchen supplies and facilities in the Sixth Form Study Centre) and also goes towards Leavers Day celebrations in Year 13. We would be grateful if you would make payment on ParentMail against the relevant item.

Students who receive bursary funding can use this to cover the charge.

We look forward to meeting you alongside your daughter on Wednesday 24 September.

Mr A Skinner
Director of Sixth form

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