



Wednesday 16th September

## Welcome back to Year 13

Dear Parents/Guardians

It was a pleasure to welcome your daughters back into Year 13 last week at school. We hope that all the students had a good and restful summer holiday. At the beginning of this important year, we wanted to share some key dates and information with you. These have been shared with students this morning in our assembly.

### **Year 13 Mock Exams:**

All students will sit their mock examinations between Monday 18th January and Friday 28th January 2027. The timetable for these will be released later in this term to students.

### **Parents Consultation Evenings:**

There are two parent consultation evenings in Year 13.

The first is on **Tuesday 10th November 2026** and will be held online between 5-7:30pm.

The second is on **Thursday 4th March 2027** and will be held in person at school.

More information, along with booking information will be sent before each evening.

### **Home Study:**

The students who have met the requirements for home study this half term have now been informed by their tutors. Please sign the permission slip your daughter brings home so they can return this to their tutors. Home study permission was granted for this half term based on attendance in Year 12 and will be reviewed at October half term based on attendance in Year 13. A reminder that the requirements for home study are 95% or above attendance and effort scores above a 3 on their reports. There is a clear correlation between students who attend school and the grades they achieve at the end of 6th form.

### **Dress Code:**

I would like to take this opportunity to remind you of our 6th Form Dress Code. Students must ensure that they come to school dressed appropriately and with their lanyards visible at all times. Students should not be wearing clothing that is cropped, sleeveless or in leggings and tracksuit bottoms. If students attend school with inappropriate clothing, they will be given a uniform mark and a uniform detention.

### **UCAS Applications:**

Many of the Year 13's will be applying to UCAS this year for places at university. All students have had an introduction to the UCAS process during our Future Success Day in July. If students have any questions about the application process they should speak to their tutor or Ms Quesne (our Next Steps adviser). Below are the key dates for applications to UCAS. Students must adhere to the school deadlines to allow time for their applications to be checked and references to be collated before being sent.

Key dates for UCAS applications:

Early applications (Oxbridge, Medical, Dentistry, Vet applications):

School deadline for applications: Thursday 1st October

UCAS deadline: Thursday 15th October

All other applications:

School deadline for applications: Friday 4th December

UCAS deadline: Wednesday 13th January

If your daughter has any questions or needs support, please remind them of the different places they can ask for support at school, including: their form tutor, myself, Mr Skinner, our wellbeing team, Ms Kayley, Ms Quesne and their subject teachers.

Yours Faithfully

Mrs R Carbonaro

Head of Year 13