

Dear Parent/Guardian,

As we reach the end of the academic year, I encourage students to look back and reflect on what went well this year, and what they can improve upon.

It's essential that Year 12 students establish and continuously reinforce key study habits. Skills such as; organisation, exam practice and effective revision are vital if students are to reach their full potential.

As hard as it might seem, students need to convince themselves that this summer is not a normal holiday. Any study completed this summer will make a difference and potentially influence their life plan. I urge all students to create a *summer checklist*, a list of study tasks and supercurricular activities to occupy their time, and stick to it.

Whilst we encourage students to use the summer break to rest, recalibrate and refocus - they should also seize the opportunity to re-read past learning and make the strongest possible start to their final year.

In preparation for next year, we would also like to emphasise a few key points:

### **Return to School in September**

Year 13 students will begin their lessons on Tuesday the 5th of September. On their first day, students should arrive by 8.45 am and head to the Main Hall. A paper copy of their timetable will be given to them in September, however, they can view their timetable now via the Bromcom Student App.

### **INSET days for 2023-24**

- Monday 4th September 2023
- Tuesday 3rd October 2023
- Thursday 1st February 2024
- Wednesday 1st May 2024
- Monday 22nd July 2024
- Tuesday 23rd July 2024

### **Mock exams and parents' evenings**

- The Year 13 assessment week will begin on Monday the 30th of October 2023 and will be sat in students' classrooms during timetabled lessons.
- The Year 13 mock exams will begin on Monday 29th of February 2024 and will be sat in exam venues.
- Parents' Evening will be held on the 14th of December 2023

We wish all our Year 12 students and their families a restful and productive summer break.

Yours sincerely,

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Head of Sixth Form

