

Our Ref: KBA/shd

15<sup>th</sup> September 2023

Dear Parent and Carer

Re: Year 11 Information

I am delighted to see the positive start our Year 11 students have made this term. Students are concentrating in lessons, completing homework and have made an excellent start to the final part of their GCSE studies. I am writing to you to outline some important dates for this academic year and to provide you with some information about post-16 destinations.

### **Destinations**

This half term students will begin to consider their post-16 destinations. The majority of students will wish to stay on in our sixth form but we will ensure all students explore the variety of options available to them.

On the 18th October, 5-7pm, we are holding our post-16 options evening. This is a chance for you to come into school and find out more about The Thomas Alleyne Sixth Form, apprenticeships and studying at college. This event is for all students to attend with their parents. More details about the event will be sent out nearer the time.

Throughout this year each student will also have a 1:1 careers guidance appointment with an independent careers advisor from Services for Young People. This is an opportunity to talk about their individual short term and long term career goals and consider the path they can take to get there.

### **Mock Exams**

The Year 11 Mock exams will take place between the 6th November - 17<sup>th</sup> November. The mock exams are an important opportunity for students to sit whole exam papers. In order for us to facilitate the exams, and ensure students get true experience of an exam period, we will be asking students to study at home when they do not have exams. Students will be expected to arrive promptly for each of their exams and return home to study at other times during the mock exam period. The mock timetable will be published later this term.

### **After School Tuition**

After School Tuition sessions have now started for some subjects. Students can now access free after school tuition on a Monday for History, Tuesday for English, Wednesday for Maths and Thursday for Science. Attending the sessions will support your child in revising key skills and knowledge ready for their mock exams and help them to develop good study habits for their final exams.

### **Key dates**

Attached to this letter are additional key dates for this academic year. We look forward to continuing to work in partnership with you through this essential year in your child's education. If you have any questions or queries please do not hesitate to get in touch.

Yours Faithfully

Mrs K Bailey  
Assistant Headteacher

## Year 11 Timeline

- 18th October - Sixth Form Open Evening and Post-16 Destination information.
- 6th November- 17th November – Mock Exams for all subjects.
- December – Sixth Form application deadline.
- 8th December– Mock results will be sent home.
- 14th December– In person parents evening
- January and February- Sixth Form Interviews.
- 16th January- Apprenticeship Information evening
- February- Passes issued to students to leave site at lunchtime if they have excellent attendance and behaviour.
- 6th February- 'The Last Push' parents evening.
- 4th -8th March – Mock exams for English, Maths and Science.
- 29th March – Reports will be sent home.
- 9th May – Start of exams
- 1st -4th July – Sixth Form Induction week.
- Friday 5th July – Year 11 Prom