



October 2023

Dear Parents/Carers,

As we approach the end of the first half term, we thought it would be a good opportunity to share some of the highlights! We are delighted with how well the Year 12 cohort have settled into their new A level and vocational courses. Sixth Formers continue to be excellent role models for younger students demonstrated by their commitment to fulfil our values of **work hard, be kind and take responsibility**.

Our Year 12 and Year 13 students have shown dedication and enthusiasm to their studies. Teachers have praised their commitment to working hard and continuing their learning journey at The Coleshill School. We have seen a high level of engagement in class discussions and a proactive approach towards coursework and independent study. Additionally, the recent UCAS evening for Year 13 demonstrated their enthusiasm and focus towards taking their next steps towards higher education.

As our Sixth Form continues to grow, existing and joining students have worked together to interview the Student Leaders across Years 7, 8 and 9, facilitating with extracurricular activities, sporting events and our latest drama production of Peter Pan.

We'd like to flag some key dates for the calendar. As always, full details will be circulated nearer to the event.

#### Dates for the diary

- Resit Maths Exams – 8<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup> & 13<sup>th</sup> November
- Resit English Exams 7<sup>th</sup> & 9<sup>th</sup> November
- BTEC External Exam Series: 11<sup>th</sup> January – 23<sup>rd</sup> January 2024
- Summer Exams: Start Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> May – Finish Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> June 2024
- A level Results Day collect from TCS: Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> August 2024

#### Parents Evening dates

- Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> November (online)
- 1<sup>st</sup> February 2024: Parents Evening face to face

As part of our preparation for the summer exams 2024, we will be holding a series of mock and classroom assessments this academic year. The assessment series will help prepare students for the summer exams. The first set of assessments will be taking place from **Monday 4<sup>th</sup> December to Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December 2023**. A copy of the timetable will be released shortly. Exam time can be challenging for students, so we will be signposting students to how they can continue to manage their well-being and mental health. As parents, you may want to see the young minds link for more support <https://www.youngminds.org.uk>.

Attending school and lessons is important, please try to encourage your child to attend and be on time for school. Please note that if your child is unwell and unable to attend school, we kindly request that you inform us by sending a text to the following number: **07860 054 470**. You will need to explain fully the reason for your child's illness. This helps us maintain accurate attendance records and ensure the well-being of all students. Absence disrupts the education of the individual student and the whole class and we want students to be absent from school as little as possible.

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Historically, students who have an excellent attendance:-

- Achieve well in exams by 2 A level / Vocational grades
- Maintain friendships
- Gain more opportunities in school to further their CV

**How does your child compare?**

Attendance during one school year	Equals this number of days absent	Which is approximately this many weeks absent	Which means his number of lessons missed
90%	19 days	4 weeks	100 lessons
85%	29 days	6 weeks	150 lessons
80%	38 days	2 weeks	200 lessons

Thank you for your continued support and involvement in your child's education and journey. They must continue to work hard towards achieving their goals and to see them achieve great things in the coming months.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact us. We value your feedback and are always here to assist you.

With best wishes

Sixth Form Team

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