



20th March 2023

Dear Parents / Carers

As we approach the Easter break, I thought it might be useful to outline a few important key messages that are outlined below.

Year 12 Exams

They are planned for the week beginning 26th June, will be formal examination experience and we will spend time in the coming weeks preparing them in terms of how to revise effectively. They are important for several reasons:

- Facilitating a smooth transition into year 13
- Formulating predicted grades for universities.

Preparation and revision

It's not too early to start consolidating and revising and we would expect students to spend some time during Easter preparing for the summer term. For those who want to get ahead of the game, the following links will take you to revision tips and practice papers:

- [Making the grade: A* students share their revision tips and secrets - The Uni Guide](#)
- [AS & A2 LEVEL \(A-Level\) Revision | Revision World](#)

Looking ahead

Year 12 have also had presentations about making choices post Coleshill and building their CVs through leadership, extra curricular activities and other enrichment. The summer term will be important in developing these themes. All students should have accounts with [Sign In - Unifrog](#) and [UCAS Hub - Sign up today](#) which have a wealth of interactive activities to support careers and university research.

There will be a number of events in the summer term to support students wider development. We are aware that this cohort missed out on work experience so are offering three days' work experience in July. More details will follow about this but we would suggest beginning researching and making contacts asap.

Key Events/dates

Year 12 Key dates spring & summer 2023	
BTEC results – collect from F2	Thursday 23 rd March
Aim Higher University of Birmingham Trip	Surnames K-Z 30 th March Surnames A-J 20 th April
Summer Exams	Monday 26 th June – Friday 7 th July
Work Experience	Wednesday 12 th – Friday 14 th July
Post 16 Careers, Higher Education & Wellbeing Conference	Monday 17 th & Tuesday 18 th July



Alton Towers year end trip	Wednesday 18 th July
End of year rewards assembly & end of term	Friday 20 th July

Well-being and personal care

We're also very aware of the stresses and strains of exam time and students may be interested in looking at this [Meditation and Sleep Made Simple - Headspace](#) which is a 'mindfulness' guide to help students maximise mental health. We also recommend [Home - Kooth](#) which has resources to support students with wellbeing.

Finally, can I also remind parents/carers that there is a face to face parents' evening the first week after the Easter break on Thursday 20th April. You will shortly receive notification of how to make your appointments.

With best wishes from the sixth form team.

Yours faithfully

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