



March 2015

To Year 13 Parents/Carers

Dear Year 13 Parent/Carer

I am sure that you will agree, it is difficult to believe how quickly this year has passed. Year 13 have been a delightful year group and this is always a time of anticipation, as they prepare for their examinations and their new futures.

Please find enclosed your son/daughter's final review for this academic year. This is designed not only to give up to date information on his/her current progress, but also to give a summary of broad achievements during this academic year.

The information is based on judgments made by subject staff within the last four weeks, and has been timed to give students the opportunity to reflect on this during the Easter holidays. It should be seen in the context of the two reviews in October and November and the Subject Evening in November.

The summary sheet gives an opportunity for your son/daughter to evaluate their key achievement this year, and to identify steps they may take to maintain or raise this. Tutor comments are based on the wide range of information they have about your son/daughter, from the day to day contact at registration to the more formal academic tutoring interviews and the tutor monitoring meetings held throughout the year.

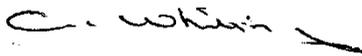
With only a few weeks left until the summer examinations, members of staff are keen to ensure that the students have the optimum opportunities to complete practice papers. Research shows that the more examination practice a student has, the higher the grade he/she will achieve. In order to help our students and staff, Mr Armstrong and I have agreed to invigilate some practice examinations after school in the week beginning the 13th of April. One of the big benefits of this is that teaching time will not be lost. Subject teachers will let students know when these examinations are. Should there be a clash, students can then spread examinations out over the week, as long as they have organised this with our Sixth Form Administrator, Mrs Edwards. We hope that you will support us in this additional provision and encourage your son/daughter's full participation.

- Year 13 finish on Thursday 14 May. The Leavers' Summer Ball is on the same day, at the Oxford Thames Four Pillars Hotel from 7.00 – 10.00pm

- Examination leave starts on Friday 15 May. Examination timetables are available on Insight on our website
- Examination results day is Thursday 13 August from 10.00 – 11.00am
- The Drop-In Advice Clinic is on Friday 14 August from 9.00am and 12.00pm, should you or your son/daughter wish to discuss any aspect of the results from the previous day
- Students will receive a Leavers' Booklet which is packed with essential information

Once again, thank you for your support during the last academic year. I would like to take this opportunity to wish all Sixth Form students success in their examinations. As ever, should you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact your son or daughter's tutor, or me.

Yours sincerely



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