9 February 2024

Dear Parents, Carers

I hope you are well and your child is looking forward to the imminent half-term break.

This letter contains some key reminders as well as pointers for things you need to be aware of.

1. Year 12 Work Experience and Apprenticeships Week

It's terrific that, on the back of a great Apprenticeships Week – where a number of Year 12 and Year 13 students attended local events and explored this Future Pathways opportunity in Tutor Time – that so many Year 12 students have organised their Work Experience for the tail-end of the academic year.

We in the Sixth Form Team resist providing too much support early on as we want students to self-regulate and organise as much as possible but support from parents is always of use and appreciated. Perhaps discuss with your child if yet to and explore what is out there – we will begin to provide scaffolds where needed as we approach Easter so there will be a real concerted approach but with students at the centre.

2. Academic Support Outside of Lessons

The Sixth Form Team provide dedicated pastoral support and more-generic academic support. To support students with their revision for their exams and to supplement class-based learning, the updated table below shows the **subject-specific** session times on offer:

Subject	Day	Location	Finish Time
Art	Tuesday – Thursday	D.1.04	4.30pm
Biology	Tuesday	S.O.18	4.30pm
Business	Tuesday and Wednesday	C.1.42	4.00pm
Chemistry	Tuesday	S.1.09	4.15pm
Computer Science	Students are invited to organise individual tutorials with their	TBA	TBA
- I. I. I. I.	teachers on an ad-hoc basis	11.0.00	4.45
English Literature	Tuesday	H.0.08	4.15pm
English Language & Literature	Thursday	H.0.08	4.15pm
Geography	Wednesday	H.1.16	4.00pm
Maths	Wednesday	S.2.14	4.30pm
Photography –Students may also use the Studio during the day if they have a study period when the studio is free	Thursday	D.1.13	4.30pm
Physics	Thursday	S.0.17	4.00pm
Psychology	Thursday	C.2.29 C.2.27	4.15pm
R.E.	Tuesday	H1.18	4.15pm
Sociology	Monday	C.2.30	4.00pm

















The mock examinations currently taking place are important as they will help inform the Data 2 predicted grades made by teachers for both current Year 12 and Year 13 students for the end of Year 13. This data will be available 15 March – an interesting date for those of a literary-historical disposition!

We have already in place a number of Sixth Form-driven interventions based upon the data from Data 1: for example, Supported Study sessions, online tuition, welfare support, Careers referrals. All of this complements the interventions provided on a subject-basis and ties in with what is noted above about our collaborative approach — i.e. the way our dedicated team's provision adds to that provided on a subject-basis.

Of course, the other key component in this concerted approach is the support provided by parents and carers – please do always let us know how we might support you in supporting your child...

3. Pastoral Support and Communications

Please recall we are here to support your child in many areas – we want academic success as this enables choice in the future but we know that the pastoral support we offer is vital in-and-of-itself but also because it underpins the academic success alluded to:

- Assistant Head of Sixth Form (Y12) Mr Schofield: mschofield@northleamington.co.uk
- Assistant Head of Sixth Form (Y13) Mr Piper: jpiper@northleamington.co.uk
- Senior Assistant Head-teacher/Head of Sixth Form Mr Taylor: staylor@northleamington.co.uk
- Sixth Form Manager Ms Short: nshort@northleamington.co.uk
- Attendance, Study Support and Welfare Officer Mrs Lunn: klunn@northleamington.co.uk

With the latter in mind, we are delighted that Mrs Lunn has joined the team – she brings a wealth of experience working with young people and will enhance our dedicated Sixth Form Team. Please note that her email will become active March 6th.

Alternatively, you can email your child's tutor.

As always, email or phone me (Ext.8414) if you are unsure or have any queries.

I hope you have a great weekend and a very pleasant half-term.

Yours faithfully,

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Steven Taylor

Senior Assistant Head-teacher (inc. Head of Sixth Form)















