

The Harefield Academy

Achievement through Active Learning

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Dear Parents and Carers,

We would like to congratulate the Year 11 students on the way they have conducted themselves in the assessment cycle over the last few weeks. The vast majority of students have been working well in the assessments and trying to improve on their performance from June 2022. This term invited students have attended intervention for Maths and English during Tutor time and we have had Year 11 after school support sessions in Maths, English, Geography and History which have been really well attended. We have also had a Sociology catch up session at lunch time once a week.

This term the students have been focusing on two key aspects, revision preparation and Careers. Students have taken part in a number of bespoke revision workshops during tutor time and next term will have a guest speaker delivering a seminar promoting and teaching techniques for effective revision.

Careers and next steps will be a big focus for our Year 11's as they move towards further education. Students have been exploring 'career box' during tutor time, an online platform aimed to showcase the information necessary for students to make informed decisions about their future careers. The Hillingdon Post 16 Prospectus has been shared with all Year 11 students and their parents. This contains lots of useful information on careers in the local area. We also have two University trips planned for next half term to allow students to experience an active University campus.

Important Dates for the next half term

In the run up to the examinations we would like to keep you informed of upcoming events to support the Year 11 students.

The first of these is the 6th Form Open evening on the 2nd November to which we would encourage all students to come along with their parents, to look at options for next year where students get to select their pathway for Post Sixteen education which remains compulsory for all students.

Wednesday 2 nd November 2022	6 th Form Open evening 6pm to 7:30pm Please complete the reply slip below or complete the Google Form https://forms.gle/TEmXDXCdQCgxfgXq9
Thursday 17 th November 2022	Year 11 Parents evening - this will be in person 4pm - 7pm
Monday 5 th December - 16th December 2022	Full set of Mock exams for the students

Expectations of Uniform

With winter months coming, students need to have an appropriate school jumper (our signature wine colour) and winter coat. Over the past few weeks, some Year 11 students have started to wear hoodies which should not be worn as a replacement for a jumper or winter coat. Hoodies will be confiscated after half term if worn on site.

Summary of uniform changes (as shared via end of term letter in July)

Boys / Girls	Items no longer required	PE Kit	Items no longer required
Wine Jumper	Blazer (optional)	THA Navy shorts	THA Tracksuit bottoms
Wine Polo shirt	Tie (no longer required)	THA Navy polo shirt	THA Zip tracksuit top
Wine Skirt	White Shirt (no longer required)	Black Tracksuit bottoms	THA Sports Jacket
Black Trousers	Pink Blouses (no longer required)	Black Leggings	
Black 'polishable' shoes		Trainers	

Yours sincerely

Mr. Bourne

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Head of Key Stage 4

Re: 6th Form Open Evening

Name of Student:

I will/will not be able to attend the 6th Form Open Evening on Wednesday 2nd November 2022.

Signature: (Parent/Carer) _____

Date: _____

Print Name: _____