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Dear Parents/Guardian

Year 12 and Year 13 - Key Events

I wanted to write to you as the term draws to a close to bring you up to date with what the students have been doing and to make you aware of key events next term.

Year 12 have made an excellent start to the Sixth Form and Mr Bell receives emails on a weekly basis from staff thanking the students for their work with the lower years, particularly those involved in the Asdan programme. Many Year 12 students have started their work experience, which is to be commended. Students need to complete 30 hours work experience by the end of the academic year.

Year 13 have been very busy with their UCAS applications and personal statements. 172 UCAS applications have now been sent off to universities and the school has organised careers interviews for those students who are not applying to university.

Next term Year 13 return to their prelims. We appreciate it can be a stressful time, students should aim for little and often with their revision and exam practise is essential. Also, whilst we believe part time work to be very valuable, it should not exceed 8-10 hours a week.

Finally, in order to ensure time is not wasted next term, please can I remind you of the Sixth Form and school's expectations in the following areas:

- 1. Students are not allowed to use their mobile phones or wear their headphones around the school site, but can still use them in the Sixth Form area.
- 2. Trainers are not allowed. The Sixth Form dress code is a black, blue or grey suit. Students not adhering to this will be asked to go home and change. They will then be expected to make up any lost time.

We look forward to seeing you for the Sixth Form parents evening on Tuesday 14 January 2020. Thank you for your support and we wish you a Happy Christmas and a healthy 2020.

Yours sincerely

Miss A Cheshire Head of Sixth Form, Assistant Headteacher