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March 2025

Dear Parent / Carer,

As we approach the Easter holidays and Year 13s final term at Fakenham Sixth Form, we are focusing on maximising students' potential in their exams to support their progress onto their next steps.

Mock Exams

Year 13 students have completed their mock exams. Most of the students arrived on time, with the correct equipment and having a positive attitude. We congratulate them on this. Students have shown a strong commitment to their studies, using their revision timetables and using the sixth form study room from 8am to 5pm. Students will be receiving their mock results at 3pm on Thursday 27th March. While the mock results are not final, they offer a clear picture of where each student stands and highlight the key areas where they can focus their efforts in the coming weeks. I encourage all students to use these results as motivation to refine their knowledge and skills, as well as to approach the remainder of the term with renewed determination. Evidence suggests that with good revision skills, good attendance and a positive attitude students can improve their mock results by over a grade in their final exams.

Where a N/A is present on the exam report it means the student did not sit the mock exam and will be expected to do so in class time.

Preparing for Success Evening - Thursday 27th March 2025

On Thursday **27th March from 5.00pm to 6.30pm** we are inviting Year 13 students and parents to our Preparing for Success Evening which will take place in the hall.

At this crucial stage, your support is more important than ever. Encouraging your child to stay focused, maintain a balanced routine, and reach out for help when needed, will make a significant difference. Together, we can help ensure they are as prepared and confident as possible for the exams ahead. We know that parents and carers can have a big impact on student success. We want to work together to make sure all students reach their potential.

There are some things that can really help. A recent study suggested the following things are the most important to support students: Being a role model, helping them set goals, keeping them active, eating healthily, helping them have time out, working on sleep patterns, helping them to unplug their devices, staying cool and calm, having belief in them and being supportive.

What will the evening cover?

There will be presentations from staff and former students which will include the following:

- how to manage the remaining time and what has worked in the past
- ideas and strategies about how to make the most of this time
- revision planning
- online opportunities
- how parents can help
- hints and tips for revision

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- arriving prepared for the exams (exam pencil cases available to buy)
- maintaining a positive outlook and attitude towards the exams
- advice on eating and sleeping well
- careers advice available

Sixth Form Council

Student voice is very important to us at Fakenham Sixth Form therefore we promote a very active Sixth Form Council. Our Year 13 council members have officially finished their term and have handed over to the new Year 12 Council. I would like to take this opportunity to thank the current Sixth Form Council for all the work they have done to support, promote and improve our sixth form. The Year 13 Council are still finalising and raising money for their prom. If you would like to help us raise money for the Prom, please attend the Sixth Form bingo on Thursday 3rd April. Doors open at 5.15pm and eyes down at 5.45pm. We will finish by 7.45pm. You could also support this event by donating raffle or bingo prizes.

Leaving Dates

In order to support our students to meet their potential and get the best grades possible, students will be expected to attend lessons in their subjects until the date of their last exam in that subject. This will mean that students will have different leaving dates depending on the subjects they study.

Dates for Your Diary

Thursday 27th March: Preparing for Success Evening

Thursday 3rd April: Sixth Form Bingo

Monday 12th May: Exam season starts

Friday 23rd May: Year 13 Prom

Thursday 14th August: A Level results day, from 8am, Fakenham Sixth Form

Thank you for your continued support. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact your child's form tutor or the Sixth Form Team.

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Yours faithfully

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