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Dear Parent / Carer,

We hope this letter finds you well. As we approach the end of the first half term of Year 12, we are delighted to send you your first Fakenham Sixth Form update letter. You will receive a letter every half term to give you information about events and opportunities at Fakenham Sixth Form.

### **Settling in Evening Thursday 10th October (4.30-7.00pm)**

Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> October we are holding a Year 12 Settling in Evening. This event provides a valuable opportunity for you to discuss your child's adjustment to Year 12, with their form tutor. Our Year 12 Settling in Evening is designed to facilitate open communication between parents, students, and form tutors to address any concerns, celebrate achievements, and provide valuable feedback.

During this evening, you will have the chance to:

1. Meet your child's form tutor and gain insights into their academic progress and personal development by discussing their screening report.
2. Discuss any challenges or questions you may have about Year 12.
3. Share your observations and experiences to help us better support your child's growth.
4. Explore strategies and resources available to enhance your child's Year 12 experience.

By attending this event, you play an active role in your child's educational journey, helping us ensure their success in Year 12.

We understand that it can be difficult getting to meetings, so we are going to offer you the option of either an email, phone call or a face-to-face appointment at the sixth form on Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> October. Please complete this form <https://forms.office.com/e/WvbVMr3etF> to book your option.

### **Post 18 Progression Evening Thursday 7th November 2024 (5.30pm-7.00pm, Fakenham Sixth Form)**

We are excited to invite you to our upcoming Post-18 Progression Evening, which promises to be an informative and enlightening event for both you and your child.

The transition from Sixth Form to life beyond school is an important and sometimes challenging step for our students. To ensure students are well-prepared and have access to the best information, we have organised this event to provide guidance and insights into the various pathways and opportunities available to them after completing their A-levels.

Our Post-18 Progression Evening will feature a diverse range of speakers offering information on going to university, student finance, apprenticeships, gap years and advice for parents of young people leaving home. Each provider will do a short talk from **5.30pm-6.15pm**, and then they will take part in a fair where you and your young person can engage with education and career providers between **6.15-7.00pm**. This is an excellent opportunity to ask questions, gather information, and explore the options available for further education, training, or employment.

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We understand that choosing the right path after Sixth Form can be a daunting task, and we are committed to supporting your child in making the best decisions for their future. We encourage you to attend this event with your child, as it will be a valuable resource for both of you.

**Please RSVP by Friday 25th October to confirm your attendance at the Post-18 Progression Evening using this online form <https://forms.office.com/e/SbHSdtpaY>**

### A Big Thank You

On Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> October we had our Sixth Form Open Evening. We had more students stay and help us to advertise our sixth form, than ever before. We wanted to say a huge thank you to all the students that helped by talking to prospective students and parents, showing people around, moving tables and chairs and giving speeches. We are privileged to have such wonderful students at Fakenham Sixth Form.

### Online Platforms

We use a range of online platforms to give you information about your young person. You should be able to access the following platforms, if you are experiencing difficulty with this please contact Mrs Harvey on the email address below:

- **Class charts** for information on behaviour, rewards, timetables, attendance and announcements.
- **School Gateway** – This App allows parents to make payments (Trips, equipment and Lunch Money) and send messages, this has now replaced Xpressions and Wisepay. If you require further support on how to sign up all information can be found on our website School Gateway - Get Started - The Leading Parent App for Schools

### Dates for Your Diary

**Thursday 10th October:** Settling in Evening

**Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> October:** Year 12 University Experience Day (more information to follow)

**Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> October:** Last day of half term,

**Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> November:** Post-18 Progression Evening.

**Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> November:** Careers Fair

**Tuesday 17th December:** Last day of term and Fakenham Academy Class of 2024 Awards.

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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