



4<sup>th</sup> May 2022

Dear Year 13 Parents/Carers

We are impressed by the way the vast majority of Year 13 students are rising to the challenge of their final A level examinations and working hard on revision over the final three weeks of school. As a group of young adults, they have overcome many challenges in Sixth Form and their resilience as a year group is highly commendable.

As students near the end of their secondary education, we wanted to send you some final information:

### **Exam Timetables**

Students were issued with their exam timetables before the holidays. It is a good idea to have this displayed somewhere visible at home to ensure students know the dates and times of their exams, and so you are aware of these too. With the exam season now so close, students should be spending significant time in the evenings and at the weekend focusing on completing revision, balanced with plenty of breaks, rewards and rest. If your son/daughter needs any final support with revision, please get in contact. Study Leave begins from the morning of Friday 20<sup>th</sup> May, but students are still very welcome to attend school to revise during study leave.

### **University Firm/Insurance Choice and Student Finance deadline**

We have advised students to check their UCAS Track accounts carefully to see when they need to respond with their firm and insurance choices as this deadline varies, depending on when they have received their final offer. If students intend to go to university this Autumn, they must apply for Student Finance by 20<sup>th</sup> May to guarantee finances are in place for the start of their degree course. Resources are posted on Classcharts to support students with their finance applications.

### **Further Careers Advice**

Students are welcome to make appointments to come into school during study leave (and indeed next year) if they need further careers support and guidance.

### **Leavers' Day: Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> May**

We are looking forward to celebrating their Leavers' Day with Year 13. Students are invited onto the school site from 8am for pastries and tea/coffee with their form tutors. We then have an extended Leavers' Assembly followed by some sports activities and a lunchtime BBQ provided by the school. Students will receive their hoodies and momento books too. Students then leave after lunchtime to get ready for the Sixth Form Ball. We have explained to students that we have a no prank policy in the run up to and on Leavers' Day itself; if anything were to happen students know they would be sent home and risk exclusion, but we have every confidence students will behave respectfully and observe 'the Waddesdon Way' to the very end.

### **Year 13 Ball: Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> May**

Please see the letter emailed home recently with all the details. We are hoping all students will consider attending and we look forward seeing them at the event.

### **A level Results' Day: Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> August**

A level results will be available for collection from school from 9am on Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> August. We are both in school to support students that day and indeed the following day, along with Miss Hay and Mrs Bridges for further careers support. In advance of Results' Day, we recommend students watch the following clip:

UCAS Clearing: <https://www.ucas.com/undergraduate/results-confirmation-and-clearing/what-clearing>

If your son/daughter needs any further support in the coming weeks, please do not hesitate to get in contact. Thank you for all your support from home during your son/daughter's time in Sixth Form; it has been greatly appreciated.

May we take this opportunity to wish your son/daughter every future success. We hope they will have fond memories of their time at Waddesdon and keep in contact with the school.

Yours sincerely

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