

Dear Parents/Carers,

We have now completed the first half term of this academic year and our year 12 students seem to have settled into sixth form life well. I am writing to inform you of some important events happening during the second half of the Autumn Term in Year 12 as well as provide some additional information about systems in the sixth form. I hope this information makes it easier for you to support your child at home.

Year 12 Autumn Term 2 Events

- **Friday 8th November: Y12 Briefing on Work Experience.** Our Year 12 students will undertake a week of work experience from Monday 29th June 2020- Friday 3rd July 2020. The aim of the briefing is to inform students of when it will take place as well as give them a timeline of when and how to start organising it. Parents will also receive correspondence with the relevant information so you know how best to support your child.
- **Friday 22th November: Y12 Extended Assembly by Nottingham Trent University.** As a sixth form we have close links with NTU, who form an integral part of our careers provision. During this extended assembly students will be informed about university, what it has to offer and what the process involves. It is a very informative session, which will allow students to find out more and decide whether university might be an option for them.
- **Monday 2nd – Wednesday 11th December: Key Stage 5 Mock Examinations.** Students will sit mock examinations in all subjects during this time. During this time period the normal timetable collapses as students are on study leave. They only need to attend for their examinations. This is a real opportunity for students to test themselves and see what progress they have made during their first term in sixth form. Already, students should be using their study periods to revisit work and revise so they are as prepared as possible for any assessment such as their mock exams.
- **Thursday 19th December: End of the Autumn Term.** Students will attend lessons as normal during the morning 8.30-12.40. During lunchtime we would like to invite all students to a Christmas get together in the Common Room. After such a busy term and following mock exams it would be a lovely opportunity for students and the sixth form tutor team to spend some time together before the school holidays. Students are then free to leave at 1.15pm. School reopens on Monday 6th January 2020.

Professional Standards in the Sixth Form

I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate so many of our year 12 students for upholding the high professional standards we expect here in sixth form. However, here is a reminder of some of our expectations that we have to remind students of most often.

- Students must dress appropriately for a professional working environment. Therefore, they are not able to wear ripped jeans or tops showing their midriffs.
- Students are not allowed to have their phone visible anywhere on the school site apart from the sixth form block. Phones must never be seen or heard during lessons

regardless of location. If students don't meet these expectations then their phones can be confiscated.

- It is a basic expectation that students attend all their timetabled lessons and tutor sessions, arriving on time. If your child is unable to attend school due to illness then please contact Mrs Edwards (ext 274) or email cedwards@clwacademy.co.uk

I appreciate our sixth form students are young adults and should be treated as such; with this comes the responsibility for them to act appropriately and uphold these basic levels of professionalism. Throughout their time in sixth form we are helping prepare students for the world of higher education or employment, where these basic expectations will also be upheld. We would therefore value your support with this.

The Sixth Form Success Draw

We also want to ensure students are recognised for their hard work, so we are launching our Sixth Form Success Draw. Teachers will issue students with raffle tickets for a range of events such as a good attitude to learning, outstanding piece of homework, evidence of further study or anything else that a teacher feels needs rewarding. The students will place their raffle tickets in the draw box on sixth form reception. Across the half term students can have an unlimited amount of raffle tickets in the draw box. At the end of every half term 2 raffle tickets will be pulled out at random and those students will each receive a £50 amazon voucher.

Afterschool Support Sessions

Subjects offer afterschool sessions to ensure students have access to additional support. Students can choose to drop in to these sessions as and when they feel they need to or some teachers may ask students to attend for a time period, in which case attendance is compulsory. This may be if they are concerned about a student's academic progress. Below is a summary of the support sessions available.

Subject	Afterschool session	
	Year 12	Year 13
English Language	-	Friday 3-4pm in W19
English Literature	Thursday form time in W9	Tuesday 3-4pm in W6 Thursday form time in W9
Media	Wednesday 3-4pm in W6	
English Lang/Lit	Tuesday 3-4pm in W6 Thursday form time in W9	-
Biology	Monday 3-4pm in W36	Tuesday 3-4pm in W36
Chemistry	Tuesday 3-4pm in W53	Thursday 3-4pm in W53
Physics	Wednesday 3-4pm in W32	Wednesday 3-4pm in W32
Psychology	Alternate Wednesdays 3-4pm in W60	Alternate Wednesdays 3-4pm in W60
Forensics/Criminology	Thursday 3-4pm in W36	Thursday 3-4pm in W36
History	Tuesday: Russia topic in E17 & Thursday: Tudor topic 3-4pm E18/20	
Government and Politics	Individual appointment only	
Sport	Tuesday and Wednesday 3-4pm in W41	
Drama	Thursday 3-4pm in Drama Studio	

Maths Further Maths Core Maths	Tuesday and Thursday afterschool in E3
Geography	Wednesday 3-4pm in E30
Music	Thursday 3-4pm in W23
Business Economics Financial Studies Law	Thursday 3-4pm in W55 Tuesday 3-4pm in W63 Individual appointment only Individual appointment only
Art Photography Textiles	Monday-Thursday 3-4.30pm in E5
French	Individual appointment only
Computer Science	Individual appointment only
DT	Tuesday 3-4pm in W24
Religion and Philosophy	Individual appointment only

I do hope all of the above information will allow us to work together in achieving the best possible outcomes for our students. If you have any queries or wish to discuss anything further then please do not hesitate to contact me.

Kind Regards,



Mrs A Emsley

Head of Sixth Form