



October 2023

Dear Parents, Carers

I hope you are well and your child is looking forward to the imminent half-term break.

This letter contains some key reminders as well as pointers for things you need to be aware of.

1. Examination Season and Pastoral Support

With the first mock examinations approaching, please recall we are here to support your child. We understand the demands and strains which examinations can place upon individuals. We focus on wellbeing throughout our pastoral curriculum (assemblies, Tutor Time, Wellbeing Wednesday) and you can contact us at any point.

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- Sixth Form Manager Ms Short: nshort@northleamington.co.uk
- Attendance, Study Support and Welfare Officer Miss Parkes: kparkes@northleamington.co.uk

Alternatively, you can email your child's tutor.

2. Examination Season and Academic Support

To support students with their revision for their mock exams, and ongoing throughout the year the table below shows the subject revision session times

Subject	Day	Location	Finish Time
Art	Monday – Thursday	D.1.04	4.30pm
Biology:	Tuesday and Thursday	S.0.18	4.30pm
Business	Tuesday and Wednesday	C.1.42	4.00pm
Chemistry	Tuesday	S.1.09	4.15pm
Computer Science	Wednesday	S.2.18	4.15pm
English Literature	Tuesday	H.0.08	4.15pm
English Language & Literature	Thursday	H.0.08	4.15pm
Geography	Wednesday	H.1.16	4.00pm
Maths – currently available to targeted students	Wednesday	S.2.14	4.30pm
Photography –Students may also use the Studio during the day if they have a study period when the studio is free	Thursday	D.1.13	4.30pm
Physics	Thursday	S.0.17	4.00pm
Psychology	Wednesday	C.2.29	4.15pm
R.E. A one-off session prior to exams	Tuesday, November 7th	H1.18	4.15pm

These sessions (apart from R.E.) are ongoing across the year as well as to support in the build-up to these Mocks. As other subject sessions are added I will update you accordingly.

The mock examinations (which begin Monday, November 6th) are important as they will help inform the Data 1 predicted grades made by teachers for the end of Year 13. *These, in turn, help inform what we can put into UCAS for predicted grades.*

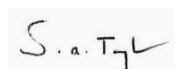
All UCAS applications that had to be submitted by the first deadline, October 16, (Oxbridge, Medicine etc.) have been. The remaining students (the majority) will need to complete applications by the end of this term – i.e. by Christmas. Students have their tutors to support them in the first instance and have a member of the Sixth Form Team allocated to them as well.

Please recall what we have previously shared: that, **for UCAS purposes only**, we can support aspiration and ambitious course choices by predicting in the UCAS application 2 grades in total above the latest predictions had in the most-recent data cycle. So, for example, if a student has BBB predicted in Data 1, we can put AAB in to UCAS for predicted grades and course targeting. A student's 'UCAS Strategy' should mean that an individual targets 1 or 2 courses which are aspirational but the other 3 or 4 should be in-line with or below the latest predicted grades.

As always, email or phone (Ext.8414) if you are unsure or have any queries.

I hope you have a great weekend and that England defy expectations in the Rugby!

Yours faithfully,



Steven Taylor
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