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Dear Parents, Carers and Students,

## UCAS Launch Day – Thursday 9 June

On Thursday 9 June we will be holding a UCAS Launch day for all year 12 students followed by a UCAS information presentation to all parents in the evening.

The day for students will consist of a carousel of events including setting up their UCAS application in the UCAS hub, advice re Personal Statement writing and the value of extracurricular activities to support their applications. Alongside this will be an option to choose a session particularly relevant to them; how to research courses and universities, options and relevance for those not considering university and Oxbridge and competitive courses.

This will build from the most recent preparation activities in tutor time regarding discussing and reviewing their activity logs, which they have been encouraged to complete since the start of year 12, and how to tease out the skills and link to degree choices, apprenticeships or employment career plans.

We support all avenues post Sixth Form and will be discussing the relevance of this process with those who want to use it for CV writing or applications for jobs. We do encourage all students to apply for university as a way of keeping all options open, until they make their decisions on what they want to do in the future.

The presentation to parents will start at 6.00pm and will be a digital evening via TEAMS as the theatre is currently in use for the external GCSE & A level exams. Mr Schofield and I will present a comprehensive overview of the UCAS process, detailing our support to your child and key deadlines. There will then be an opportunity to join information presentations from invited universities, apprenticeships and Oxbridge. More information and links will follow after half term and I very much hope you can join us.

## Progression Exams

Year 12 progression exams are set to take place during the week 27 June- 1 July 2022.

Students will receive a personalised timetable with seat numbers and rooms on, after May half term. For morning exams, students need to arrive promptly in the canteen at 8:45am. For afternoon exams, lunch should be eaten at 12:20 onwards and arrival to the canteen to register at 12:50. Students will receive an assembly to remind them of all the rules regarding exam arrangements.

Students not in assessments will go to normal lessons. These may need to be re-roomed in some cases. Once an assessment is complete and students are dismissed they should return to their normal timetabled lessons or study period.

These exams are a good benchmark for students' progress and will form part of the basis in deciding and confirming predicted UCAS grades.

Over the course of the year in tutor time, students have been given advice on revision skills, timetables, advice and wellbeing, which will all accumulate in preparation for what can be an anxious or stressful time for some. Mrs Thomas, our Sixth Form Study & Welfare officer is also available for students to book an appointment with if they need additional help with their revision planning or in helping to manage any anxiety they may be feeling.

Week 2	Mon 27 June	Tues 28 June	Weds 29 June	Thurs 30 June	Fri 1 July
P1 +2	Y12 Computing (2h30)  Y12 Geography (1h30)  Y12 Physics (2h)	Y12 Chemistry (2h)  Y12 History (2h15)  Y12 Media (2h15)  Y12 PE (1h30)	No exams scheduled	Y12 English Literature (2h30)  Y12 Further Maths (2h)	Y12 Sociology (2h15)
Break	<b>Break for all students as normal</b>				
P3	Lessons as normal				
P4a 12:20	<b>Lunch for all students with an afternoon assessment.</b>				
P4b 12:50	Y12 Business (2h)	Y12 RE (2h)  Y12 Maths (2h)	No exams scheduled	Y12 Psychology (2h)	Y12 Biology (2h)

### Work Experience – 11 – 15 July

Work experience week is Monday 11 July - Friday 15 July 2022 and it's great to see many of our students have secured some really fantastic placements. A reminder to email the three completed forms to the sixth form ([sixthform@northleamington.co.uk](mailto:sixthform@northleamington.co.uk)) as soon as they have been completed to ensure our records are complete and for us to be able to support the placements. Relevant Work Experience is a rewarding time for students adding to their personal development & life experience as well as being a key factor towards successful applications for jobs, apprenticeships and degree courses. We are mindful that some employers have changed working practices as a result of COVID-19 and time and resources are precious, but it's reassuring to see so many employers welcoming students' applications and supporting the development of our students' experience and

employability skills. We are available in the sixth form office to chat through any ideas with students to help secure a placement, in addition to what they have already tried. A reminder that the weekly message sent out often contains opportunities for work placements and companies interested in supporting students' experiences. For those students who do not secure a placement during this week, they will be expected to attend Sixth Form as normal and will need to complete online MOOCs and online courses to help build & develop their skills. This can be used when completing UCAS & Apprenticeship applications.

### **Prom Committee**

Our Year 13 Prom is set for Friday 24 June and we would like to set up a Prom Committee for year 12 students to volunteer to get involved with planning, decoration and helping with the set up on the day. This will be an opportunity to develop their planning and organisational skills, but also to help start a legacy of Year 12s helping to make Year 13 prom a success whilst they are busy getting ready! Any students who are interested in joining please message the sixth form email by Thursday 26 May.

If you have any questions on any of the above, please contact the Sixth Form team.

Yours sincerely,



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