

## Newsletter 19: 10<sup>th</sup> March 2023

### Working Together to Improve Standards and Share Success

#### Mock Examinations

Year 11 have shown much improved concentration and resilience with their second set of mock examinations this week. The timetable has been rearranged to facilitate subject specific masterclasses prior to each exam, which has been welcomed and received positively by students. Following feedback, we will replicate this model prior to the final exams starting in May. Staff are currently working tirelessly to mark and moderate papers as quickly as possible. Students are being provided with on-going updates to help motivate and encourage. Parents will receive final grades just before the Easter break.

The next incremental step for Year 11 once they finish mock exams next Tuesday is the final preparation for 'real' practical examinations when we return to school after the Easter break. I have emailed dates and group details to all Year 11 students this morning. This will be followed up with an assembly next week. A summary of dates for parents is attached to the newsletter. Due to GDPR purposes groups cannot be released publicly, but if unsure about anything after the assembly next week, they should speak with a member of the leadership team.

**Just a reminder that Year 11 are in school for both days (Wednesday and Thursday) when industrial action is planned next week.** The students have been informed of which option choices they will be focusing on with staff.

#### Careers Event

Year 10 students spent Thursday afternoon at OD Live, a careers event organised by Doncaster Chamber of Commerce and hosted at Doncaster Racecourse. Students used their knowledge and skills gained from U Explore and the Personal Studies curriculum to ask employers meaningful questions about ways of working with different industry sectors from Polypipe and Maclaren to further education providers across the South Yorkshire. Our students showed great responsibility and maturity representing themselves and the school extremely well.

**Just a reminder that Year 10 students should attend school next week on the days of industrial action if they study the subjects detailed below.** This is a final assessment piece for GCSE studies.

- Wednesday : Performing Arts and Health and Social
- Thursday : I Media

#### Updated Contacts

There have been some changes to our pastoral staffing over the last couple of weeks. The table below details relevant contacts.

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## The Week Ahead ...

### Year 9 options

Just a reminder about previously published key dates for the forthcoming options process. It is essential parents attend the options evening on Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> March, as this will explain the curriculum your child will follow in Years 10 and 11 and provide clarity regarding the options process.

To help us plan appropriate seating arrangements, please complete the form below to indicate attendance. We advise you attend with your child.

<https://forms.office.com/e/AZbQvgmFSq>

Date and Time	Activity	Purpose
<b>Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> February</b> 3.30 – 6:00pm	Parents' evening – current attainment and progress.	1:1 appointments to allow parent/carers to discuss current progress with subject staff to help inform choices.
<b>Week beginning Monday 20<sup>th</sup> March</b>	Subject talks in lessons/bespoke assemblies.	To give students a greater understanding of what is involved in each subject and the opportunity to ask questions.
<b>Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> March</b> 5.00-6.00pm	Year 9 Options Evening. Understanding and supporting with the options process.	To ensure parent/carers understand the process, support available and timelines. Options booklets will be distributed to allow families to discuss choices at home.
<b>Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> and Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> April</b>	1:1 meetings with the Leadership Team to confirm choices.	To enable families to discuss final choices and clarify any queries. Submit final choices.

### Year 8 and 9 HPV Sessions (Vaccination and Immunisation and Team) - 27<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup> March

**Year 8** HPV Vaccinations for Boys and Girls are scheduled to take place in school on **Monday 27<sup>th</sup> March**. Please note this is **not** the Covid Vaccination. Can you please complete the e-consent form below by clicking the link as soon as possible. This does need to be completed whether you **do** or **do not** give consent.

<https://bit.ly/3T44Z31>

**Year 9** – If you gave consent for your child to receive the first dose of the HPV Vaccination last year, the second dose of the vaccine will be given to them in school on **Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> March**. Please see letter attached for further information regarding this.

### Industrial Action – 15<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> March

There has been no update from the Unions since my last communication with you on Wednesday re the proposed industrial action. As such, the plans communicated previously will still be necessary. This means students in Years 7, 8, 9 will be given work to complete remotely at home. Students in Year 10 who do not study the options stated above should also complete work at home.

**Friday 17<sup>th</sup> March in an INSET Day – no students will be in school.**

Kind regards



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