



BISHOP CHALLONER SIXTH FORM COLLEGE

January 2019

Dear Parents/Carers

Year 12 Spring Update

Please find enclosed a revision guide, which will be useful as students prepare for current and forthcoming assessments.

I would also like to make you aware of some important dates and information:

Dates for Year 12:

Year 12 Assessments: 4th -15th February

Year 12 Careers Exploration Day: Tuesday 19th March

Year 12 HE Day: Wednesday 20th March

Year 12 Parents'/Carers' Consultation: 27th March 4-6pm

Year 12 Mock Examinations: begin on Monday 13th May and run until Friday 24th May during lesson time.

Year 12 Awards and Celebration Event: Friday 28th June

Year 12 Work Experience: Monday 1st – Friday 12th July

Year 13 Transition Focus Day – Monday 15th July

September 2019 - Important course information

Due to A Level reforms, all of our A Level Programmes of Study are now offered as two-year courses. This means that all students currently in Year 12, who enrolled on A Level courses in September 2018, are on two-year courses and it is our expectation that they will complete these courses in the summer of 2020.

Should a student wish to change A Level courses at the end of Year 12, they will be required to restart Year 12 in all subjects. As a result of our decision to no longer offer AS level qualifications (with the exception of Further Mathematics and Core Mathematics), it will no longer be possible for students to simultaneously follow Year 12 and Year 13 courses.

Work Experience

A number of students have already secured valuable work experience placements. However a significant number of students have not. Completing a quality work experience placement is not only an essential part of our careers

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education programme but it is also one of the requirements of students returning into Year 13. Students must complete either a two week placement, or, two different placements for one week. It is vital that students complete a Confirmation of Placement sheet and a medical form once they have secured their placement(s). Please contact Miss Darby on e.darby@bishopchalloner.bham.sch.uk with any questions or queries about finding a placement. **If you or someone you know would be able to accommodate one of our students on work experience, please contact Miss Darby on the email address above to let her know as soon as possible.**

Absence and Illness

A reminder that Year 12 students or their parents/carers should call Mrs Reynolds on 0121 441 6144 to explain, on the first and each subsequent day of absence. If a student is away for longer than 3 days, a wellbeing home visit may be made.

If students feel unwell during the college day and require attention, they should go to the First Aid room. The First Aider on duty will contact home if a student cannot stay in college. No student should go home ill without first speaking to the First Aider.

Kind Regards



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