

***If not now, when? If not you, who?***  
Hillel the Elder



- **Year 12 Exams** – you have survived your first formal exam week – well done. We do mocks to help identify what you need to do to make progress towards your academic potential (not to punish you). Also, mocks help you get used to the regulations and the feel of being assessed this way – it helps desensitise you so that you will perform better in the next set. Check your emails, complete the survey: Advice I wish I'd given myself (& followed) from Day 1 of Sixth Form <https://forms.office.com/e/mA8A3ALg4P>
- **Year 12 Next Steps.**
  - **ACTION PLANS.** When you get your results, for each of your subjects reflect on your performance and build any gaps (topics, technique, approach to preparation) into your ACTION PLANS and weekly work routine (work diary templates available on Mr Spears' desk).
  - **What's Next? – Preparation for Higher Education (PHE).** This programme will be starting next week – you will have a fortnightly lesson with Mrs Lennon or Mr Wilbraham. You'll get a new timetable this week showing when your lesson will be. This programme will help you research / explore / consider your future options: university / apprenticeship / employment / independent living – what / where / how.
- **Want a Durham University tutor? See / email Mr Wilbraham.**
- **YEAR 13 – Celebrating your time here:**
  - **YEARBOOK?** Room – SS3. Lunchtime – Wednesday – writing a subject page? Make sure ALL classes are represented. If you want to see some examples – see Mrs Lennon.
  - **LEAVERS' BALL?** – Room – Pod. Lunchtime – Tuesday
- **WP schemes / support:** Newcastle Partners, DU Supported Progression, A2L, and many more – drop in SS3 – lunchtime.
- **Don't miss out on opportunities:**
  - **INTERESTED IN LAW / POLICING?** We have a university lecturer coming in next **Monday 16th January 3pm – 4pm** – sign up with Mr Spears so that an appropriate venue can be arranged.
  - **CONSIDERING ALTERNATIVES TO UNIVERSITY?** Want to find out about apprenticeships? Want to build some life skills? Have you signed up for the Durham Works event on **26th January 3pm – 4pm**? If not, sign up with Mr Spears.
  - **INTERESTED IN STUDYING ABROAD?** A Star Futures will be coming in **Tuesday 17th January** – lunchtime – IT4 – really useful information on their website - <http://www.astarfuture.co.uk>

**YEAR 13 – UCAS progress** An impressive **158** applications have been made to UCAS. Anyone who wants to apply and hasn't already – needs to have their application completed and submitted by **Tuesday 17th January**, so that we can support your application.

<b>Monday</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>ASSEMBLY – Year 12 – Hall – 8.20am.</b></li> <li>• <b>INTERESTED IN LAW / POLICING?</b> We have a university lecturer coming in – sign up with Mr Spears. Venue to be arranged.</li> </ul>
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<b>Wednesday</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>YEARBOOK?</b> Room – Pod. Lunchtime</li> <li>• <b>Durham University (offer holder) visit</b> – meet in the foyer at 11.30am.</li> </ul>
<b>Thursday</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Sixth Form Committee</b> – both years – all forms to be represented – 12.10pm start – room IT4.</li> </ul>
<b>Friday</b>	

**Check the noticeboard in the SF area every day & emails / Teams regularly**