



Ripon Grammar School

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Dear Parents/Guardians

As we approach the Easter break, I would like to take this opportunity to reflect on the achievements and events that have taken place this term and provide you with important information regarding the upcoming summer term.

Key Events Involving Year 10

Over the course of Year 10, students have been actively engaged in various activities in form time and within assemblies, including a focus on First aid, mental wellbeing, finance and budgeting and most recently learning about a range of post-16 educational options. These experiences have been valuable in enriching their learning and personal development.

Celebration Assembly

We recently held a celebration assembly to recognise the hard work, achievements, and contributions of our students. It was a fantastic opportunity to acknowledge students' progress and effort around school. Well done to all our students for their continued dedication and effort, whether they received a certificate or not.

Exam Information

The Y10 exams will run from Friday 4 April-Friday 25 April (4 days total). Students received their individual exam timetables last week. On the back of their timetable is exam information from Mrs Dale, exams officer. I have attached this document as an additional attachment to this letter. It is worth directing your attention to the fact that mobile phones are handed in during registration, locked away in the exams office, and then returned to students at the end of the day. May I suggest that if students do not require a phone before or after school, that not bringing it may be a sensible and time saving decision!

Revision Strategies for Upcoming Exams

With exams approaching, we encourage students to adopt effective revision strategies to help them prepare. Some key approaches include:

- Creating a revision timetable to manage study time effectively.
- Using a variety of study methods that encourage active recall.
- Taking regular breaks to maintain focus.

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I also strongly encourage students to take their break over Easter. It is clear to me that students are tired and jaded after a long term through the winter months and some well-earned rest in the spring sunshine (hopefully!) will serve them good. As we get closer to the summer of Y11 their assessments are increasingly important to prepare for, but not at the detriment of their wellbeing.

Work Experience

Looking ahead to the summer term, I hope that students are looking forward to their work experience week from 19 - 23 May. All students should have contacted Mr Walker with their placement details and any questions and queries should be sent to him in the first instance at walkerb@ripongrammar.com

Additional Information

As always, we appreciate your ongoing support in ensuring your child remains engaged in their studies and school activities. If you have any questions or require further information, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Wishing you and your family a restful and enjoyable Easter break.

Yours sincerely

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