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Strong start to learning for students moving from Year 12 to Year 13

Dear parents and carers

I am writing to inform you of our arrangements for the start of the next academic year for students moving from Year 12 into Year 13.

1. Summer Work

We are keen to ensure that students can consolidate their understanding and knowledge over the summer break should they wish to do so; therefore, summer work for students' A-level subjects is provided for students moving into Year 13 is here.

Students should take the opportunity to complete this work, identifying and addressing any knowledge gaps prior to beginning Year 13 work in September.

2. Summer Reading

We are keen for our students to read widely and often. This summer is an opportunity for students to read around subject areas. In order to put together a strong university application, students need to demonstrate their ability to be independent learners. Universities often provide reading lists for potential students. Many of these books are expensive to buy, so please see the link below for online reading opportunities which are free.

- Free Preparation for University textbooks can be found here.
- We also encourage our students to read for pleasure. Recommended summer reading can be found <u>here.</u>

3. Expectations Evening

Our Expectations Evenings are an important moment at the start of the academic year to outline our expectations for effective learning so that parents understand the teaching, assessment and support for students that they can expect, and the key opportunities and challenges for students moving into Year 13 and embarking on their last year of Key Stage 5 study.

The Expectations Evening for Year 13 will be at 6.00pm on Thursday 8 September. We look forward to seeing you at this event, further details will be sent out at the start of next term.

Thank you for your continuing support and our best wishes for a pleasant summer break.

Ms R E Powley Deputy Headteacher Quality of Education