

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you are all well. As we move through another busy and exciting week at school, I wanted to share some wonderful highlights and celebrate the achievements of our students and staff.

### **This week**

First, a huge well done to our Year 11 students who have shown real commitment by attending their revision sessions. Their determination and maturity are impressive, and we are incredibly proud of the focus they are bringing to their studies.

A special thank you to our fantastic MFL team, who have organised two enriching trips this week. Some of our students enjoyed a brilliant tapas experience in the city centre, giving them a taste of Spanish culture in a real-world setting. In addition, several KS3 students took part in a French food workshop, where they sampled a variety of French dishes. They had a wonderful time exploring new flavours and learning more about the culture behind the language they study.

This week has also been an important milestone for Year 9, who began their options assemblies. Students have been learning about the different qualifications available to them and reflecting on their interests and future pathways. This is an exciting time, and we are delighted to support them as they consider their next steps.

We very much look forward to welcoming Year 9 parents and carers to our Options Evening on Monday 19th, where you will have the opportunity to discuss choices further, ask questions, and gather guidance to help your child make informed decisions.

### **Coming up**

Please be aware that Year 9 Parents' Evening/ Options Evening is coming up on Monday 19th January (3: 30pm until 6pm). Clubs will be going ahead as normal this evening.

This is an important evening in helping your child to decide their next steps and which subjects they would like to pursue at GCSE. We look forward to seeing you there.

Please also be aware that Year 10 Parents' Evening is coming up on Tuesday 3rd February. Clubs will be cancelled on this occasion due to staff being involved in the parents evening.

Again, this is an important evening to hear about how your child is progressing in their GCSE/ BTEC courses- we look forward to welcoming you.

### **Year 11 Key Dates**

- **2nd - 6th Feb** MFL Speaking Exams
- **3rd Feb** - MADE Session (Marginal Gains)
- **9th - 13th Feb** Week 1 of PPE2
- **16th - 20th Feb** Half Term Revision
- **23rd Feb - 6th March** Week 2&3 of PPE2
- **31st March** - Parents Evening (PPE2 Results)

- **20th - 24th April** MFL Speaking Exams
- **22nd - 24th April** Art Subjects Exams
- **29th April - 1st May** Art Subjects Exams
- **8th May - 26th June** GCSE EXAMS

Thank you, as always, for your continued support. It makes such a difference to the experiences and achievements of our young people.

Warm regards,