



# ELTHORNE PARK

## HIGH SCHOOL

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### Message from the Headteacher

This week we have really enjoyed having our Year 11 students try out post-16 courses as part of Sixth Form Taster day. The students showed great maturity and an eagerness to learn more about the different Post-16 options available to them. The application window for internal Year 11 students is open until Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> February with full details available on the [Sixth Form section of our website](#). Over the next three weeks all Year 11 students will have a 'next steps' meeting with a member of the Sixth Form or Senior Leadership Teams to discuss Post-16 plans.

In today's newsletter we have some important information about our Year 11 Aspire Intervention Programme which begins next week and a new timetable of extra-curricular clubs for this term for all year.

With all good wishes,

**Eliot Wong, Headteacher**

### Extra Curricular Spring/1

We have now compiled our Extra Curricular [Timetable for Spring/1](#). Please use EVOLVE to sign up for the Spring term. As this needs to be completed each half term as the offer changes, EVOLVE will stay open to sign up for clubs until 20<sup>th</sup> January. You can access EVOLVE at any time using the details below.

### Logging into myEVOLVE

myEVOLVE is the parent portal for the EVOLVE system. We have already created accounts for all parents/carers for whom we hold a valid email address. You simply need to go to [www.myevolve.online/activate](http://www.myevolve.online/activate) and enter the email address that you received this newsletter to. The system will then send you an email to enable you to set a password. If you have done this previously and already have an active account then you should just go to <https://evolve.edufocus.co.uk/myevolve/login.asp> where you can enter your details or reset your password.

**We also offer the opportunity for your child to take part in dance and basketball. Details of the paid clubs [are here](#) and the ability to pay for these is now live on ParentPay. If you would like information about how the school can support you to pay for sessions if you are entitled to pupil premium please contact [Ms Reeves](#). Please note if the clubs do not fill we will offer parents a refund. The half term blocks run from 9<sup>th</sup> January - 17<sup>th</sup> February.**

**Ms Reeves, Associate Deputy Headteacher**

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### Dates For the Diary

**Monday 16<sup>th</sup> January**

*Yr12/Yr13 BTEC Public Examinations continue*

**Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> January**

*Yr9 HPV Immunisations (1<sup>st</sup> dose)*

**Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> January**

*Yr7 Online Parents Evening*

**Monday 13<sup>th</sup> February**

*Spring Half Term Begins*

**Monday 20<sup>th</sup> February**

*Students Return @ 8:40am*

**Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> February**

*Yr11 & Yr13 Spring PPEs commence*

**Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> February**

*Yr8 Online Parents Evening*

**Yr9 HPV Immunisations**

The School Age Immunisation Service (SIAS) will visit the school this Thursday to administer the 1<sup>st</sup> dose of the HPV immunisation to Year 9 students. Year 9 students were given consent forms on Friday afternoon to bring home for parents to complete. These immunisations should have taken place in Year 8 but were postponed by the NHS due to the backlog caused by the lockdowns. Please complete the forms and return them with your child to their tutor by this Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> January so that the SIAS have enough doses available. If your child didn't receive a form, they should ask their tutor on Monday or pick up one at reception.

**Mr Ryan, School Operations Manager**

**Parent Workshops**

Our remaining workshops will run over the consecutive Mondays. Thank you to all parents who have attended so far.

**Years 8 and 9 – Monday 16<sup>th</sup> January – 5:30pm - 6:45pm**

Workshop 1 - Supporting your child's mental health - led by Ealing's School Mental Health Lead

Workshop 2 Year 8 - Year 8 Residential - led by Mr Sykes Year Leader

Workshop 2 Year 9 - Preparing for Key Stage 4 - led by Mr Kelley Assistant Headteacher

To allow us to prepare the resources for these sessions please sign up through this [link](#)

**Yr10 – Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> January – 5:30pm - 6:45pm**

Workshop 1 - Supporting your child's mental health - led by Ealing's School Mental Health Lead

Workshop 2 - Preparing for Work Experience - led by Ms Crix Associate Assistant Headteacher

To allow us to prepare the resources for these sessions please sign up through this [Link](#)

**Ms Reeves, Associate Deputy Headteacher**

**Student Intranet**

The student intranet has been up and running since September 2022 and has a wealth of information that will help your child in school, from year notices to safeguarding information. Students have recently been given a loom to remind them on how to access the information and how to use it effectively, please do support them in using this as a first port of call if they are stuck. Access to all additional teaching platforms (SMHW, Active Learn, Google Classroom etc) are on here as well as extra-curricular clubs and relevant school policies. We appreciate you continuing to support your child in becoming independent learners. Please note that only students can access the student intranet.

**Heritage Language GCSEs**

It is possible to take a GCSE in a home language privately with no tuition in school. Candidates need to be able to read, write and speak the language they would be entered for. Not all languages are available to take as a GCSE but some that are include Chinese, Greek, Italian, Japanese, Arabic, Russian, Turkish. Please note Bulgarian and Somali not available. Students must be in Yr9, Yr10 or Yr11.

Please ask those who are interested to see me in D07 as they need to get a letter which has to be signed by parents in order for them to be entered.

**Ms Kahan, Faculty Leader - Modern Foreign Languages**

## Student Academic Year 2022 - 2023

**Spring Term 2023****Spring/1**

Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> January - Friday 10<sup>th</sup> February

**Half-Term**

Monday 13<sup>th</sup> February - Friday 17<sup>th</sup> February

**Spring/2**

Monday 20<sup>th</sup> February - Friday 31<sup>st</sup> March

**Easter Holiday**

Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> April - Friday 14<sup>th</sup> April

**Summer Term 2023****Summer /1**

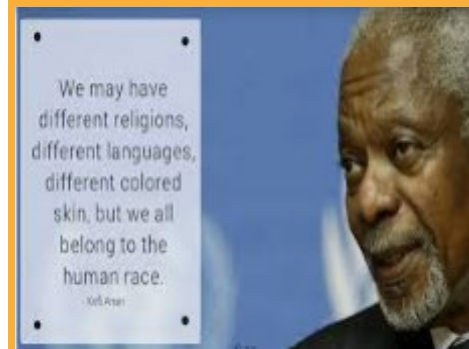
Monday 17<sup>th</sup> April - Friday 26<sup>th</sup> May

**Half-Term**

Monday 29<sup>th</sup> May - Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> June

**Summer /2**

Monday 5<sup>th</sup> June - Friday 21<sup>st</sup> July

**Thought of the Week**

### **News from Key Stage 3**

#### **Year 7**

Happy New Year to everyone! The Year 7s have been FANTASTIC as usual. Only today, I received an email from a teaching assistant who praised a year 7 English class - she said it was the best behaved group she had ever witnessed.

Students are due to receive their first progress reports at the end of this month. You will receive these shortly before the parents evening on the 31st of January. Please note that these 4-minute meetings will be online and you will have the opportunity to speak to subject teachers about your child's report. You will receive more information about signing up to the virtual parents' evening in the week commencing 23<sup>rd</sup> of January.

This week's assembly explored the quotation, "Success is not final, failure is not fatal: it is the courage to continue that counts," by Winston Churchill. The aim was to help build student resilience. We really want to show students that there is no limit on what they can achieve and that they can always recover from setbacks, which are an important part of the road to success. Please do reiterate this message at home.

Once again, thank you for all your support.

**Mr Reyes and the Year 7 team.**

#### **Year 8**

Happy New Year to everybody. I hope the break was refreshing and enjoyable for all. We've only been back two weeks, but year 8's have got back swiftly into the routines and expectations of school life once again.

The residential planning continues at great pace, Mr Persaud continues to ensure everything is being organised. If you have any questions, please direct the questions towards Mr Persaud via email. He will get back to you with solutions and answers.

A reminder that hoodies/tracksuit tops are not an acceptable replacement for a coat and will be confiscated, to be returned at the end of the day, if a student is seen wearing one of these items. Please support us as a school by ensuring your child does not bring a hoodie/tracksuit top to school and ensure they arrive prepared for the Great British weather with a suitable coat. Finally, a big thank you for all your support. Year 8's attendance has improved dramatically since we have returned from the holidays. In order to support your child being punctual please ensure they arrive before 8:40am in order for them to be in the tutor base by 8:45am. If your child is too ill to attend school please ensure you have informed us before 8:45am.

**Mr Sykes and the Year 8 team**

#### **Year 9**

And as quick as a flash we are back! I hope you all had a restful and relaxing Christmas break and would like to take this opportunity to also wish you a happy new year. We certainly hit the ground running here last week with our year 9's returning to us refreshed and ready to tackle the new term. We saw a fantastic increase in positive behaviour and students were definitely prepared to begin learning once again.

Our final entries for last half term's inter-tutor task were handed in and I am happy to announce that Cleona M in 9R won 8 points for her tutor group for her fantastic review of our whole school read *October, October*. With another well done going to Trayana P in 9N for coming in second place and winning 7 points for her tutor group. This half term tutor groups will be taking part in the great penny race. We are asking students to bring in 1p and 2p coins to add to their tutor group tubs and on Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> February each pot will be counted with the winning tutor group not only getting the full 8 points but they will also get breakfast for their tutor group too. These tubs will then be added together and totalled before being donated to a charity chosen by the year group. So please do send in any loose copper coins that you have.

We are noticing an increase in students without a lanyard. Please check with your child if they have one and an ID card. If they do not then please order and pay for them at reception. It is £3 for an ID card, £1.50 for a lanyard and £1.50 for a card holder.

Please remember to return the HPV consent form with your child by Wednesday if you want them to have this vaccination. As always thank you for your ongoing support.

Stay safe and take care

**Ms Maddox and the Year 9 Team**

### **Year 11 Aspire Intervention Programme**

Aspire Extra support and intervention sessions will run for 4 weeks in preparation for the March Pre-Public exams, practical exams and BTEC external exams. These are non-compulsory sessions offered by departments as extra support in preparation for your GCSEs and BTECs this year.

Students have been given an Aspire Organiser by their form tutor this week to plan their sessions and organise their time to get the most out of the Aspire programme. Most sessions will last 1 hour, however some practical subjects may last longer.

Students have been asked to bring their organiser to school each day so that they don't miss any sessions they've planned to go to. Teachers will stamp student organisers when they attend a session so parents can keep track of student attendance.

### **Click below for Individual department schedules**

<a href="#">English</a>	<a href="#">Mathematics</a>	<a href="#">Science</a>	<a href="#">Geography</a>	<a href="#">History</a>	<a href="#">French</a>
<a href="#">German</a>	<a href="#">Art &amp; Graphics</a>	<a href="#">Computer Science</a>	<a href="#">Drama</a>	<a href="#">D &amp; T</a>	<a href="#">Enterprise</a>
<a href="#">Food &amp; Nutrition</a>	<a href="#">H&amp;S Care</a>	<a href="#">Media</a>	<a href="#">Music</a>	<a href="#">RS</a>	<a href="#">Sport</a>

**Please note: There have been some small changes made to the Organiser timetables since printing. Subject teachers will direct students to make these changes to their Organisers. The timetable on the next page is correct**

Maths, English and Science will run two sessions per week. You don't need to go to both sessions, content will be repeated. If you want to attend one of these subjects, choose the day which fits in with your other priority subjects which only run once a week. History, Geography, Computing, PE, Sport, Art, Graphics, Media (both Creative and iMedia), French, German and Spanish sessions all run once a week. Art and Graphics will run extended sessions on 1<sup>st</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> Feb (Graphics) and 26<sup>th</sup> Jan/2<sup>nd</sup> Feb (Art). German (7-9 club) is invitation only. If you're not selected for this session but would like to attend German, there is another German session, open to all. Hub Support is invitation only. Students and parents will be informed by the Hub if they are required to attend these sessions. RS, Textiles, Food Preparation & Nutrition and Resistant Materials sessions only run in certain weeks. Health & Social care and Enterprise are running exam preparation sessions in the run up to external exams at the end of January. Music and Drama students will be told by their teachers which day of the week they will be required to attend rehearsals in the run up to external exams.

### **How to plan which sessions to attend:**

- Using their Autumn term report and feedback at parents' evening, Students will be asked to think about which subjects they should prioritise this term. There will be further sessions in the school year where they can prioritise other subjects.
- Speaking to their subject teachers, tutors and parents, decide which sessions they would like to attend. Although sessions are not compulsory, some students may be directed to go to specific sessions, if this is the case, it's extremely important that they attend. Parents will be informed when this is the case.
- Some sessions are invitation only. If students are invited to go to a session it's extremely important that they attend.
- Students highlight the sessions they wish to attend after school.

**Ms Jennings, Associate Assistant Headteacher - Attendance & Achievement**

**Week 1**

Tues 17th Jan	English	Science	Geography	Btec sport	Computer Science	Drama	Enterprise	Health & Social Care	Media	Music
Wed 18th Jan	Maths	English	Graphics	Food Preparation & Nutrition	French	German	Spanish	Drama	PE	
Thurs 19th Jan	Maths	Science	History	Fine Art	Drama					
Fri 20th Jan	German 7-9 Club (Lunchtime)	Enterprise	Drama	Hub Support						

**Week 2**

Tues 24th Jan	English	Science	Geography	Btec sport	Computer Science	Drama	Enterprise	Health & Social Care	Media	Music
Wed 25th Jan	Maths	English	Graphics	Food Preparation & Nutrition	French	German	Spanish	Drama	PE	
Thurs 26th Jan	Maths	Science	History	RS	Fine Art (Extended Session)	Drama				
Fri 27th Jan	German 7-9 Club (Lunchtime)	German 7-9 Club (After school)	Enterprise	Drama	Hub Support					

**Week 3**

Tues 31st Jan	English	Science	Geography	Btec sport	Computer Science	Drama	Media	Music		
Wed 1st Feb	Maths	English	Graphics (Extended Session)	French	German	Spanish	Drama	PE		
Thurs 2nd Feb	Maths	Science	History	Fine Art (Extended Session)	Drama					
Fri 3rd Feb	German 7-9 Club (Lunchtime)	Drama	Hub Support							

**Week 4**

Tues 7th Feb	English	Science	Geography	Btec sport	Music	Computer Science	Drama	Media	Textiles	Enterprise
Wed 8th Feb	Maths	English	Graphics (Extended Session)	French	German	Spanish	Drama	PE	Textiles	Resistant Materials
Thurs 9th Feb	Maths	Science	History	RS	Fine Art	Drama	Resistant Materials			
Fri 10th Feb	German 7-9 Club (Lunchtime)	German 7-9 Club (After school)	Drama	Hub Support						