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Dear Parents and Carers,

## Year 13 – upcoming key dates

As we approach the final weeks of Year 13, I would like to confirm the upcoming key dates.

Firstly, I would like to remind students about the **Awards Ceremony** which will take place on **Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> April.** All students are expected to attend and will need to be in school for **9.30am**. This is a formal event to mark the end of our students' school education, and we look forward to celebrating their success as a year group. Parents are not attending this event, unless there has been prior communication about your child winning an award.

The Last Day Celebrations will take place on Friday 12<sup>th</sup> May, with students onsite from 9.00am. There will be time to see tutors and teachers before the final send-off all together in the Sixth Form Block. The students will then leave the site at 11.00am. We will then celebrate completing the exam period and leaving school at the Sixth Form Prom which will be held at Aldwickbury Golf Club on Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> June. A reminder that the deadline for buying a ticket is Friday 21<sup>st</sup> April via ParentPay.

The last lessons of the year will be on Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> May and **study leave** will commence on **Monday 15<sup>th</sup> May**. There will not be formal lessons from this date, but teachers will be available during normal lesson times for students to come in. There will be further information from subject teachers about these sessions and support.

Students who have secured university offers will need to check the deadline for responding to their offers. These deadlines will vary depending on the institution, so students will need to log into **UCAS Track** ahead of making their decision. As ever, we are here to support and discuss decisions during this process.

With university offers decided, students also need to ensure that they have applied to **Student Finance**. The deadline to apply is **Friday 19<sup>th</sup> May**, and applications can be made at: <u>https://www.gov.uk/apply-for-student-finance</u>. Students have received guidance and information about Student Finance already, but if there are questions, please do contact us.

Looking ahead, **Results Day** is on **Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> August**, please note there will be further communication from the Exams Office about times and procedures later in the term.

Finally, we understand that the next two months can be extremely stressful for students, and we would like to remind students that the sixth form team is on hand every day to offer full support throughout the preparation and sitting of their examinations. Please do contact us directly if you have a concern.

Yours sincerely,

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