

## PARENT WEEKLY BULLETIN

*Weekly news from the Haggerston School Community*



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### Safeguarding

If you have a safeguarding concern please call the school Reception in the first instance and ask for the Designated Safeguarding Lead, Jack Truan or a member of the safeguarding team. If it is out of school hours please contact the safeguarding email address

[haggerstonsafeguarding@haggerston.hackney.sch.uk](mailto:haggerstonsafeguarding@haggerston.hackney.sch.uk)

Regular communication with parents/carers is important to us at Haggerston School. It is vital that the school office holds updated and current contact information in order that you can receive important messages from school or in case of a medical and/or emergency situation.

Please contact the school office to verify your contact details  
P: 020 7739 7324 E: [haggerstonschool@haggerston.hackney.sch.uk](mailto:haggerstonschool@haggerston.hackney.sch.uk)



## STUDENT OF THE WEEK



**MATHS:** TERRELL ROSEMOND  
JAMES, YEAR 7

**DRAMA:** TURELL FRANCIS  
YEAR 9

INCREDIBLE RESILIENCE SHOWN ON HIS SPARX HOMEWORK, AN INCREDIBLE EFFORT TO GET 100% WELL DONE!

FOR HIS EXCELLENT FOCUS AND WORK IN DRAMA. WELL DONE TURELL!



## SPORTS FIXTURES & RESULTS

WATCH THIS SPACE FOR OUR UP COMING GAMES AND FIXTURE RESULTS

# MESSAGE FROM THE HEADTEACHER

*Ms Emmerson*

Dear Parents/Carers

This week, we had over 200 visitors to our first open morning of the year. This is a record number and so encouraging to see. Many of those prospective parents told us it was recommendations from other Haggerston parents which had convinced them to sign up for a visit. Thank you to all of you who have shared your experiences with friends and acquaintances. Your support is very much appreciated and important. For the past two years, we have been oversubscribed. Secure pupil numbers mean stable funding and this is critical in allowing us to deliver the quality of education our children deserve and to continue to refine and improve facilities and provision. On Monday, school will close early at 12.45pm to allow us to prepare for our annual open evening. Many of your children will have been asked to be involved as faculty helpers or tour guides so thank you (and them) in advance for their participation. Our students are always our best asset on such occasions and their pride in the school is always so heart-warming to see. Tuesday 4th October is a normal school day, starting at 8.40am.

At the start of term, I shared the successful examination results for Year 11 and 13 with students through assemblies, not just to celebrate achievement but also to instil belief and ambition in the younger year groups. I talked about the habits which lead to that success: excellent attendance, hard work in lessons, good routines around homework/independent study and, always, a healthy balance of study and recreation. We always encourage students to find things they love and are passionate about and to build time for these into their lives. Now that students have been in school for a month, we will be embarking on our termly round of lesson observations, looking at the quality of work they have completed so far and their engagement with learning. This is also a good point in the term for you to check in with them: ask questions about their learning, review their homework record on the DPR to make sure they are managing their workload and find out if they have any worries or concerns. In my experience, the stronger the relationship between school and home, the more students thrive, emotionally and academically.

Finally, I am pleased to announce that the rewards trips we had to postpone in July, due to the heatwave, have been rescheduled for Thursday 13th October. You will shortly be receiving a letter about the details for your child's trip. Please do read this carefully as it will contain important information about start times at school and the arrangements for the day. The theme of these trips is 'Experience your City', something many people were restricted from fully doing during the pandemic. It feels good to be able to take students out to see their learning in different contexts and, most importantly, to have some fun.

Year Group	Event
7	Team building and Sports - in School
8	Horniman Museum & Gardens
9	London Zoo or Natural History Museum (half year groups)
10	Greenwich Observatory and Maritime Museum
11	Tate Modern
6th Form	Go Ape

These trips form part of our 'Haggerston Journey', a term which describes all the experiences students have access to which contribute to their personal development. We consider which opportunities will best furnish them with cultural capital, interest in and understanding of the world but also which develop the skills and attributes which will help them grow into confident and articulate adults. These trips are just one stop along that journey.

Finally, I'd like to congratulate Year 11 on an excellent start to this important year. We have been so impressed by their maturity and attitude that we will be removing the requirement for them to line up after break and lunch from next week. Instead, they will make their own way to lessons independently and be responsible for their own conduct and punctuality to lessons. We feel they are now ready for this responsibility and it will be a small step towards the greater independence they will have in the Sixth Form next year; we have every faith they will continue to impress us.

Have a lovely weekend.

Ms Emmerson, Headteacher

# MESSAGE FROM ASSISTANT HEADTEACHER

*Mr Larini*

Dear Parents/Carers Re: Study Skills

Dear Parents,

In the second week after the October half term, our students will start their first DPR assessment cycle. In order to prepare them for their end of year public examinations, our Year 11 and Year 13 students will take their mock exams under strict exam conditions whilst other year groups will take their assessments during their usual lessons.

For some children and parents, this will be a stressful period which may cause a lot of anxiety. The key to a successful assessment period is to be prepared, understand what is expected of students and for your child to study and revise the best they can. We strongly recommend parents and students to consult our school website to learn more about exams procedures. This will be particularly helpful for Year 11 and Year 13 students so they are all clear about the government regulation and our school exam policies. We also encourage all parents to access their child's DPR which will contain important information about every year group's assessments.

There is a big difference between performing well in a test and committing learning to long-term memory. For those of you who attended our recent Parents Information Evenings, you may remember my presentation on Study Skills and Revision Habits. In order for students to become successful learners, it is important to show them not just what to revise but also how and why.

Rereading notes may seem an obvious and logical way to revise, but it is actually one of the least effective methods. Retrieval (the process of recalling previously studied information from memory) is the foundation of effective revision. Not only is retrieval backed up by a strong evidence base, but it ensures learning is not lost and can be built on. Research also shows that it is beneficial to space revision out, so it is completed little and often, rather than 'crammed'. Forgetting can actually be a good thing in terms of allowing important knowledge to enter long-term memory. Therefore, it is best to leave a gap after learning the key information and before revising it. This will inevitably make revision feel harder, but it will be more effective in the long term.

You can find more information about effective revision strategies, such as self-quizzing, flashcards and brain dump, at the bottom of this Study Skill Resource page ([A parent's guide to effective revision](#)).

In order to help our older students prepare for their end of year examinations, some teachers will be offering extra intervention and revision classes throughout the academic year. It is important that you encourage your child to attend all these upcoming additional classes taking place after school, during weekends or over the holidays. Teachers work extremely hard to prepare students for their examinations. They are the experts who can best support your child to fulfil their maximum potential and obtain the grades they need to progress in their education.

In addition to these intervention and revision classes, all Year 10 and Year 11 students have been offered the opportunity to sign up for some small group online tuition in subjects such as maths and science, as part of the government's National Tutoring Programme. Research conducted in education has shown that small group tuition is proven to be effective, delivering approximately 4 additional months' progress on average.

Other case studies and researches in education have shown that it is you the parents who have the greatest influence on your child's achievement through supporting their learning at home. Your support of learning within the home environment makes the maximum difference to achievement. The more involved and engaged parents are in their children's education, the more likely their children are to succeed. I therefore strongly encourage every parent to sign up to our series of Elevate webinars to learn about all the different ways in which you can get involved to support your child to self-motivate, manage their time and prepare effectively in order to guarantee their success over the next few months.

After our first DPR assessment cycle, we will conduct in-depth data analysis in order for all teachers to gain better understanding of students' strengths and areas of improvement so they can identify key priorities for next term in order to close students' potential learning gaps and provide them with bespoke support and intervention strategies to help them achieve their full potential.

Have a lovely weekend,  
Mr Larini, Assistant Headteacher



# Attendance Matters

Every student. Every day.

## THIS WEEK'S TOP FORM!

YEAR 7P	98.1%
YEAR 8P	94.8%
YEAR 9B	98.8%
YEAR 10G	96.6%
YEAR 11R	90%
YEAR 12P	90%
YEAR 13P	89%

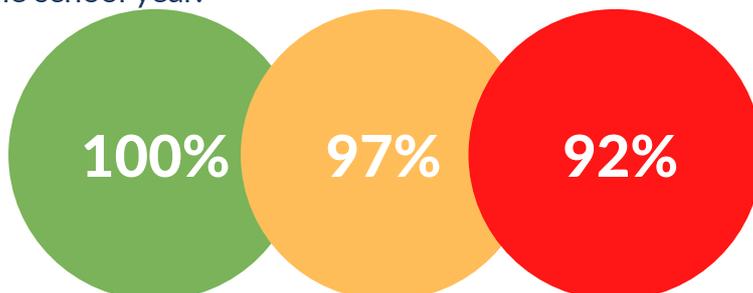


## WHERE WILL YOU BE?



If last year, a child had 99-100% attendance, the average grade achieved across all GCSEs was a grade 7. This does not mean a child is guaranteed to achieve grade 7s or better with 99-100% attendance but it does mean they give themselves the best chance to do this. This child is much likely to score top grades than someone who is only in for 94 % of the school year.

Attendance %	Average Grade at GCSE
99 – 100	7
97 – 99	6
95 – 97	5
93 – 95	4
90 – 93	3
Under 90	3-



**HIGH ATTENDERS, HIGH ACHIEVERS**

# Key Notices

## Unused Instruments at Home?

As part of Haggerston's green commitment, the music department is accepting donations of unwanted instruments. If you have musical instruments at home that are in good condition but not being played, please consider donating them. Ukuleles and keyboards can support classwork for all pupils, while any other instruments can be loaned out to support pupils' music education at home.

Give unwanted instruments a new life by contacting Mr Gregory at [adam.gregory@haggerson.hackney.sch.uk](mailto:adam.gregory@haggerson.hackney.sch.uk)

Thank you for your continued support of Haggerston's Music Department!

Kind regards,

Mr Gregory, Head of Music

## Cold and Flu Season



### Here are some suggestions for how to ease the symptoms:

- Make sure you drink plenty of fluids.
- Saline nose drops can help loosen dried snot and relieve a stuffy nose. Ask a pharmacist, GP or health visitor about them.
- If you have a high temperature, pain or discomfort, ask your parent/carer for paracetamol or ibuprofen which can help. If you have asthma you may not be able to take ibuprofen, so check with a pharmacist or GP. Always follow the instructions on the packet.
- Wash your hands regularly to stop the cold spreading.

### Sore throats

- Sore throats are often caused by viral illnesses such as colds or flu.
- Your throat may be dry and sore for a day or 2 before a cold starts. You can ask your parent/carer for some paracetamol or ibuprofen to reduce the pain.
- Most sore throats get better on their own after a few days.
- If you have a sore throat for more than 4 days, developed a temperature and are generally unwell, ask your parent/carer to book you a GP appointment.

### Coughs

You often cough when you have a cold because of mucus trickling down the back of the throat.

Try to make hot lemon with honey at home.

### You will need to:

Squeeze half a lemon into a mug of boiled water

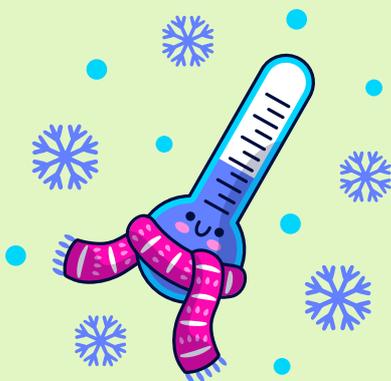
Add 1 to 2 teaspoons of honey

Drink while still warm



### Virus

If you have a virus that is caused by bacteria, the GP will prescribe you antibiotics to treat the infection. Antibiotics will not soothe or stop the cough straight away.



# Upcoming Events: week beginning 03 October (Week 1)

Assembly Theme: BHM: What is diversity and how do we celebrate it at Haggerston?

Monday

Early finish for students at 12.45pm due to open evening preparation

Open Evening 5pm

Tuesday

Y11 Intervention Meetings by invitation

Wednesday

Open Morning 9 - 10.30am

'Frantic' Workshop with Y9 and 10s

Thursday

KS3 Sparx Maths Club in B217 3.30pm - 4.30pm.

Friday



## Open Morning

- » See the school in action
- » Meet our pupils
- » Take a personalised tour with staff
- » See our fantastic facilities and site

Open Mornings at 9am -10:30am on the following dates

Wednesday  
28<sup>th</sup> of September

Wednesday  
12<sup>th</sup> of October

Wednesday  
5<sup>th</sup> of October

Wednesday  
19<sup>th</sup> of October

To book a place please go to our website: [haggerston.hackney.sch.uk](https://haggerston.hackney.sch.uk)

Please see our Facebook page in the Events section for more information @HaggerstonSchoolHackney



Monday 3rd of October, 5pm- 7:30pm

## Open Evening

Families are warmly invited to join us for our open evening

Our achievements:

- » Excellent progress and outcomes at GCSE and A-Level.
- » Strong emphasis on Creative Arts within the curriculum.
- » Sixth form outcomes place us in the top 10% of schools nationally.
- » A culture of high expectations and aspiration.
- » All students participate in high quality enrichment.
- » Character education, inc

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## HEADS OF YEAR CONTACT DETAILS

Year 7	<a href="mailto:rokayah.abdulmaged@haggerston.hackney.sch.uk">rokayah.abdulmaged@haggerston.hackney.sch.uk</a>
Year 8	<a href="mailto:nadia.owusuanning@haggerston.hackney.sch.uk">nadia.owusuanning@haggerston.hackney.sch.uk</a>
Year 9	<a href="mailto:jonathan.wadsworth@haggerston.hackney.sch.uk">jonathan.wadsworth@haggerston.hackney.sch.uk</a>
Year 10	<a href="mailto:tom.ritchie@haggerston.hackney.sch.uk">tom.ritchie@haggerston.hackney.sch.uk</a>
Year 11	<a href="mailto:cherrelle.yiminyi@haggerston.hackney.sch.uk">cherrelle.yiminyi@haggerston.hackney.sch.uk</a>
Sixth Form	<a href="mailto:charlotte.clarke@haggerston.hackney.sch.uk">charlotte.clarke@haggerston.hackney.sch.uk</a>

PLEASE CONTACT YOUR CHILD'S HEAD OF YEAR IF YOU HAVE CONCERNS ABOUT THEIR SCHOOL WORK OR WELLBEING.



Prospectus  
2022 - 23

Haggerston School  
Aspiration Creativity Character

A Parent and Student Guide to DPR Assignments



Haggerston School

School Clubs

CLICK THE TILES TO FIND OUT MORE

**LRC**  
**TIMETABLE**  
**YEAR 7, 8 & 9**  
 Mondays and Wednesdays  
**YEAR 10 & 11**  
 Tuesdays and Thursdays  
**Library Pass Entry**  
 Fridays  
 Year 12 and Year 13 Are  
 Welcome To come All Days

# Learning Resource Centre



**COMING SOON!**  
**AUTHOR VISIT**  
**ON MONDAY 31 OCT**  
**MEET MATT OLDFIELD AT HAGGERSTON**  
 FOR MORE INFORMATION VISIT THE LEARNING RESOURCE CENTRE NOW!



## BOOK OF THE WEEK



The start of a highly illustrated series about a boy who finds a portal to a legendary world in his local barbershop . . . and learns he's the hero they've been waiting for! Jarell has never quite known where he belongs. He's ignored at home and teased at school for wanting to draw instead of playing sports with the other boys. The only place he's ever felt truly at ease is his local barbershop where the owner hangs Jarell's art up on the walls.. When Jarell discovers a hidden portal in the barbershop, he's transported to a magical world that's unlike anything he's seen before. But it's not just the powerful gods and dangerous creatures that makes this world different—it's that everyone believes Jarell is the hero they've been waiting for.



A proper scientific calculator is a key part of the equipment required at school. It may be needed in science, geography and maybe PE as well as maths.

## CAREERS BULLETIN

THE OFFICIAL HAGGERSTON CAREERS BULLETIN OFFERING CAREER OPPORTUNITIES TO ALL HAGGERSTON STUDENTS



Pathways to... Programmes – for year 12's  
 Open for applications now

[Click here to read more about Sutton Trust programmes](#)

**Pathways to Medicine:** This 2 year programme provides academic and sector-specific support for students who are interested in pursuing a career in medicine.

**Pathways to Law:** This 2 year programme offers students the opportunity to explore what entering the legal profession might look like.

**Pathways to Banking and Finance:** This programme offers the opportunity to explore a range of careers in the financial sector.

### The National Careers Service

Provides information, advice and guidance to help make decisions on learning, training and work. The website includes over 800 different job profiles <https://nationalcareers.service.gov.uk/>

### UCAS

Explore your options, apply to university, and more <https://www.ucas.com/>

### Find an apprenticeship

This government run service allows you to browse through and apply to available apprenticeships <https://www.gov.uk/apply-apprenticeship>

### icould

Real-life career videos, advice and information to inspire your career <https://icould.com/>

### Careermap

To view the latest issues of Careermap's Careermap for school leavers, click [here](#)  
 To receive a copy of future Careermap for School Leavers, follow this link: <https://careermap.co.uk/subscribe-to-careermag/>

# SEND



Dear parents, HiP is a voluntary group of Hackney parents with SEND children, trying to be heard & listened to, to improve services, and to develop awareness, understanding & acceptance of SEND in our communities.

Please see the following fliers that you hopefully find useful.

## Dyslexia Awareness Week

03 - 09 October 2022

There is a range of free training available from the Language, Literacy and Communication Team and the BDA.

## Food Pantry

Come and get your weekly shop every  
**Thursday 12:00-14:00pm**  
Our Place Hackney, 1 Alpine Grove, E9 7SX  
FOOD SUPPLIED BY THE FELIX PROJECT  
THIS PROJECT IS SUPPORTED BY OUR PLACE HACKNEY  
contact: 07985 739851 or [info@hiphackney.org.uk](mailto:info@hiphackney.org.uk)  
you may need to queue outside to ensure Covid safety  
£2 donation

## LOCAL OFFER

Tower Hamlets Family Services Directory

**Thursday 6th October from 10.30 to 11.30 Tracey Grant and Jenny Jones - Supporting Struggling Readers at home**

This session will show practical ways parents and carers can help their children at home. These sessions are free as part of our training offer.

Please contact Janet [janet.pritchard@towerhamlets.gov.uk](mailto:janet.pritchard@towerhamlets.gov.uk) (Monday to Wednesday) or Rukshana [Rukshanax.begum@towerhamlets.gov.uk](mailto:Rukshanax.begum@towerhamlets.gov.uk) (Thursday and Friday) to register and get the zoom link.

From the BDA (British Dyslexia Association)

**Wednesday 5th October:**

BDA Supporting spelling and times tables 6.30pm-7.30pm

**Thursday 6th October:**

BDA Resources and approaches for teachers- 6-7pm

## Our WhatsApp Groups

Did you know?  
HiP facilitate a number of specialised WhatsApp groups where parent/carers can support each other? These include the following:

- ASC and girls
- ASC and boys
- Under 5s
- Preparing for Adulthood
- Learning Difficulties
- Turkish speaking group

To find out more, including how to join or to create a group not mentioned, contact us by phone or email with your telephone number.

[www.hiphackney.org.uk](http://www.hiphackney.org.uk) 07985 739851 [info@hiphackney.org.uk](mailto:info@hiphackney.org.uk) HiP

## Coffee Morning

For more info text HiP on 07985 739851 or email [info@hiphackney.org.uk](mailto:info@hiphackney.org.uk)

What is Autism?  
Concerns about your child's behaviour?  
Concerns about your child's listening and attention?  
Worried about language delay?  
Which services can I access?

Ihsan Children's Centre and Nursery will be partnering with HiP to give parents/carers of children with Special Educational Needs a voice and guidance to access support

A safe and confidential platform to meet other parents and professionals to discuss concerns and share experiences about your child

Please join us for hot drinks & a chat on:  
**Tuesday 15th November 09:30-11:00**  
You can sign up by contacting us on 020 8806 1147 Ext 3  
66-68 Cazenove Road, London, N16 6AA  
Email: [admin@ihsancc.org.uk](mailto:admin@ihsancc.org.uk)  
Creche available upon request (Limited spaces available)



# Other Notices

## HOW TO HELP YOUR CHILD MANAGE THEIR TIME WEBINAR WITH ELEVATE EDUCATION

TUESDAY 11TH OCTOBER 2022 @ 6PM

[Reserve your seat by registering here](#)

You will learn:

- What impact does praise and reassurance have on your child's motivation?
- Align family expectations on homework
- Work with your child on managing other activities such as your child's hobbies or sports
- Create the best weekly planner tool for your child



This week our students were enjoying tucking into bagels and cereal in the canteen. We offer all of our students a free breakfast every morning.

With friendly faces and yummy food, it's a great way to start the day!



### Year 7 Breakfast Mornings

Year 7s have been invited to join their tutors for breakfast mornings. this is a great way for our new cohort to spend some non-teaching time with their new peers and year teams. It has been a great success this week. Take a look at the timetable for next week and encourage your child to attend! We look forward to seeing them there!

Monday 3rd	Tuesday 4th	Wednesday 5th	Thursday 6th	Friday 7th
	A Moore 7Red	L Gomez-Pino 7Green	J Woods 7Purple	G Kaur 7Yellow

## STUDENT LEADERSHIP

### Meet our new 2022/2023 Head Teacher's Ambassadors.



These Year 11 students have been selected by staff for this prestigious position, playing an important role in communicating between the Head teacher, senior staff and students. We wish them a successful year ahead as they become more involved in many areas of school life by being a school ambassador.

For more information on school leadership opportunities, please visit our website: <https://haggerston.hackney.sch.uk/personal-development/student-leadership/>

# Other Notices

## Calling Parent Volunteers!



We are looking for parent volunteers to take part in our Sixth form Speakers Programme. Do you work in industry or academia and would like to deliver a mini lecture and Q&A about a topic or issue that will inspire our students. Do you know people who fit these criteria and who would be willing to speak with our students?

Please email [charlotte.clarke@haggerston.hackney.sch.uk](mailto:charlotte.clarke@haggerston.hackney.sch.uk) for more information.

## Haggerston School PTA Group

The PTA needs your old uniform!

If you have school uniform that no longer fits your child, please drop it off at reception for the PTA. We will soon be re-starting our second hand uniform service and our stocks are low.



Please email [PTAHaggerston@gmail.com](mailto:PTAHaggerston@gmail.com) if you would like to receive the meeting link.



## Music Lessons

Individual and paired music lessons start next week. If your child is taking these you should have received an email with a timetable of your child's lessons and further information.

If your child is interested in taking individual/ paired music lessons at school in the future, please get them to fill in the Music Survey form on the DPR.

Thank you  
Mr Gregory, Head of Music



**ST. HILDA'S EAST**

**NEW PROJECT OPPORTUNITY:  
Creative Women's Cooperative**

Do you have a passion for **arts, crafts, cooking or design** that you'd like to start using to **make products to sell**, or... you'd like to **team up with others** who have similar skills to share & learn?

**We're offering the chance to develop your career & have fun!**

**WHEN?** 2 x weekly meet-ups:

- Every Tuesday 12-2pm:
  - Creative Activities
  - Enterprise Training
  - Complimentary Crèche
- Every Thursday 12-2pm:
  - Yoga Classes
  - Follow Up Social
  - Complimentary Crèche

**WHERE?** St Hilda's East Community Centre, E2 7EY

**HOW?** This has been **made specifically by women for women** so if you want to join in just come along to one of our meet-ups to find out more or email [yolande@sthildas.org.uk](mailto:yolande@sthildas.org.uk) to be added to the WhatsApp group chat

[sthildas.org.uk](http://sthildas.org.uk) 020 77398066

**ST. HILDA'S EAST**

**Stay & Play  
plus new Sensory Sessions**

**Tuesdays & Thursdays  
9.30-11am**

For parents/carers & their children - play, socialise & have fun together with toys & natural resources in our beautifully refurbished play space!

**Fridays  
10-11.30am**

Special small group sensory play sessions alongside Stay & Play to develop physical, creative & cognitive development

**sthildas.org.uk**

18 Club Row, E2 7EY For info call: 020 7739 8066

### Term Dates 2022/23

#### Autumn Term 2022

Start: Thursday 01 September  
End: Friday 16 December (Early Closure)  
Half Term: Monday 24 - Friday 28 October  
Inset Days: Thursday 01 September  
Friday 02 September  
Monday 05 September  
Monday 05 December

#### Start of Term Arrangements

Thursday 01 Sept: (Closed to Students) - Inset Day  
Friday 02 Sept: (Closed to Students) - Inset Day  
Monday 05 Sept: (Closed to Students) - Inset Day  
Tuesday 06 Sept: Years 7 and 12 ONLY Induction Day  
and Year 7 Parent Information Meeting @ 12.40pm  
Wednesday 07 Sept : All Students Return  
(8.30am arrival ready for line-up)

#### Spring Term 2023

Start: Tuesday 03 January  
End: Friday 31 March  
Half Term: Monday 13 - Friday 17 February  
Bank Holiday: Monday 02 January  
Inset Days: Monday 20 March

#### Summer Term 2023

Start: Monday 17 April  
End: Friday 21 July (Early Closure)  
Half Term: Monday 29 May - Friday 02 June

### Parent Evening Dates

Year 7: 07 February 2023  
Year 9 Options Evening: 06 February 2023  
Year 9 Parent Evening: 21 February 2023  
Year 11: 10 January 2023

Year 8: 21 March 2023  
Year 10: 25 April 2023  
Year 12 & 13: 24 January 2023

### Exam Result Dates

A-Level : TBC

GCSE : TBC

### Other Key Dates

26 December  
Boxing Day

01 January  
New Years Day

07 April  
Good Friday

09 April  
Easter Sunday

10 April  
Easter Monday

01 May  
Bank Holiday

29 May  
Spring Bank Holiday

28 August  
Bank Holiday