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Dear Year 13/14 Student & Parent /Carer

I hope this letter finds you all well. With things pretty much back to normal in school, I would like to take this opportunity to confirm some important Sixth Form dates for your diaries:

- ➤ Higher Education Finance Parent's Evening 7.00pm Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2022 in Clare Hall
- > Post 16 Drugs and Alcohol Presentation Wednesday 30th March 1.50pm 2.50pm Clare
- > Sixth Form RAG fundraising week Monday 4th April Friday 8th April 2022
- > Public Exam period Monday 16<sup>th</sup> May Monday 27<sup>th</sup> June 2022
- > Sixth Form Leavers' Assembly and Dinner Wednesday 29th June 2022
- > Results Day Thursday 18th August 2022

Higher Education Finance Parent's Evening Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2022 - On Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> March there will be an Information Evening regarding Loans, Fees, Repayments, and Bursaries etc for university. We will also discuss the finer points of accepting UCAS offers and what to do when you get your results.

Any student, regardless of personal finances, who has made a UCAS application should attend the presentation to find out how to access funding to cover tuition costs as well as living costs. All UCAS applicants are expected to make an application to Student Finance England. We will be delivering the talk, with the help of some existing university students, at 7.00pm in Clare Hall.

Post 16 Drugs and Alcohol Presentation - Wednesday 30th March - 1.50pm - 2.50pm Clare Hall. Now that Covid restrictions allow us to have external visitors in again, I am pleased to say that we have the excellent Jane Keyworth in on the 30th to talk to the students about drugs. Year 13s missed out on this presentation last year. It is vital that they attend this. Please talk to your son/daughter about this presentation and make sure they have made arrangements to stay in school on Wednesday to attend.

RAG week 4th - 8th April. Firstly, a huge thank you to Chris Poole, Bryony-Mai Green, Beau Pointing Amy-Leigh Marson and Toby Scriven, our outgoing Sixth Form Union Executive. They did a fantastic job during unprecedented times. Our newly elected Sixth Form Union Executive are busy organising a fundraising RAG week in the last week of this term straight after a very successful collection for refugees from Ukraine. It is so nice to be arranging this sort of community activity again post covid; please do encourage your son/daughter to get involved. Money raised will go towards our sponsored students in Wiru Kenya and towards future expeditions.

Public exams begin on 16<sup>th</sup> May. Please bear in mind that coursework deadlines are usually significantly before this date. Exams are clearly going ahead this year with some modifications. Please encourage your son/daughter to make every second count between now and the exams. Compulsory, timetabled study will cease after Easter, but students should continue to attend all lessons until the last exam in that subject.

The date for our Sixth Form Leavers' Dinner has been confirmed as Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> June at The National Sailing Academy. 110 tickets will be available, on a first come first served basis, from the start of April, but I thought I would let you know now so that students keep that day free after exams. Our Leavers' Assembly, where we say goodbye to all our Year 13s and 14s, is also on the 29<sup>th</sup> June at 1.55pm in Clare Hall.

**KS5 Results Day Thursday 18th August**. Results envelopes will be available to collect in the Hub from 8.30am on Thursday 18th August. If for any reason a student is not available to pick them up on the day then they should write to Mrs Baker, our Examinations Officer (<a href="mailto:ibaker@budmouth-aspirations.org">ibaker@budmouth-aspirations.org</a>) nominating someone to pick them up on their behalf. Alternatively, all remaining envelopes will be put in the post at the end of the day. The Sixth Form team will be available from 8.30 - 3.00pm on Thursday 18th and again in the morning of Friday 19th August to help with the University Clearing process and any other issues which may arise after results.

I look forward to seeing as many of you as possible at our information evening on March 22nd.

Yours sincerely

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