

Year 10 newsletter

Time is flying by and in Year 10 there are lots of things going on. This letter is by way of passing on some information to you and providing some dates for your diary;

Life after Oulder Hill!

Already we have passed the half way mark in the school year and at this point next year the students will have made their college applications. With this in mind, all Year 10 students will be going through the process of a 'mock interview' to prepare them for the actual ones to come; this will take place on Wednesday 25th March.

In addition to this, on Wednesday 8th July, there will be a 'Careers Fair' organised in school for the whole day, where students can investigate options for life after Oulder Hill. The Careers Fair will then remain open after school until 7pm to allow parents to visit.

Summary of the year ten key dates

Wednesday 25th March
Mock interview day.

Monday 20th April
Languages Faculty Assessment.

Thursday 30th April
Parents Evening 4pm ~ 7pm

Monday 15 June
Internal Exams

Friday 10 July
Full reports to parents

External exams and revision

From Monday 20th April the Modern Foreign Languages faculty will be running their external speaking and writing exams. Each student will be given a specific time slot to take this exam.

By now Science revision is well under way and the Science faculty offer revision sessions on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday every week. The external Science exams are scheduled for the week beginning 11th May.

In the forthcoming weeks and months everyone will need to demonstrate consistent hard work and commitment. We recognise that many students are focussed and determined to achieve their best. It is crucial at all times, but particularly at KS4, that all students strive to be punctual and achieve full attendance. Attendance and punctuality play a key role in success. To highlight this we have included the table below to illustrate how even as much as half a day away from school on a regular basis can be damaging.

Attendance %	Absence per wk/ fortnight	Absence per year	Absence over 5 years
95%	½ day a fortnight	2 weeks	¼ of a year
90%	½ day per week	4 weeks	½ of a year
85%	1 day a fortnight	6 weeks	¾ of a year