

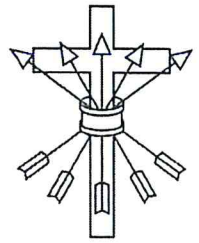
# WADDESDON CHURCH OF ENGLAND SCHOOL

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Dear Year 12 Parents and Carers

We are delighted to be working with your son/daughter this year as a student in Sixth Form; it is wonderful to see our new Year 12 students settling in so well getting to know each other. It is our endeavour to support our students throughout the two years, and in so doing, enable them to be in the best position for wherever their aspirations may take them, once they leave us at the end of Year 13.

As the new term begins, we would like to provide you with some important information:

1) Attendance

As we know you are aware, high attendance at school is crucial for success at A level. If your son/daughter is ill, please e-mail the school office ([absence@waddesdonschool.com](mailto:absence@waddesdonschool.com)), as soon as possible, on each day of absence. Where possible, medical appointments should not be made during timetabled lesson time; if a student has an appointment during the school day, we must have an e-mail, phone call or note ahead of time, to authorise the student leaving the school site, for safeguarding reasons. Please note that we are unable to authorise holidays during term time.

2) Year 12 Parents' Information Evening – Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> September

You are warmly invited to this important evening where we will be introducing you to the Sixth Form Team, discussing the transition from GCSE to A level and how parents can support with this change at home. We will also cover expectations in the Sixth Form, how we monitor progress, and how we support students with their post 18 options. The presentation will take place from 6-7pm in the School Hall. The information booklet we provide at this event supplements information in the Main School Parents' Handbook.

3) Year 12 Reports and Parents' Consultation Evening

Please be aware that we will be sending these home with students on the following dates: 9<sup>th</sup> November; 9<sup>th</sup> February; 13<sup>th</sup> July. These reports will provide an invaluable insight into how your son/daughter is progressing with their A levels. Year 12 Parents' Consultation Evening takes place on 24<sup>th</sup> March.

For information about the 16-19 Bursary Fund, please see the accompanying letter and for more information see here: <https://www.waddesdonschool.com/sixth-form/16-19-bursary-fund/>

If you have any queries on any aspect of your son/daughter's Sixth Form education, please do not hesitate to contact your son/daughter's form tutor, subject teachers or either of us at school.

Yours sincerely,

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Head of Year 12

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Head of Sixth Form