## April 2025



As we reach the end of this busy and productive term, we are delighted to share some of the fantastic developments and achievements from across our school community.

This term saw the introduction of our new behaviour tracking system, which enables us to send daily messages to parents to keep you updated on your child's progress. We are thrilled to report that 712 positive messages have been sent in the last two months alone – a huge well done to all of our pupils, parents/carers and staff for fostering such a supportive and encouraging environment!

We were also excited to trial new one-to-one tuition sessions for our Year 10 and Year 11 students. This initiative has provided tailored, targeted support in English and Maths, helping students build confidence and strengthen their core skills. We know that many parents consider private tuition, which can cost an average of £37 per session, so being able to offer this to all Key Stage 4 students has been a fantastic opportunity. Feedback from students has been positive, particularly as we approach exam season.

This term, we say goodbye to the students who have been with us for our 12-week intervention programme. It has been wonderful to see their growth, both academically and emotionally, and we wish them all the best as they return to their mainstream schools as more confident and emotionally articulate learners.

Our students have been involved in a range of creative and practical projects this term. Year 11 students impressed us with their delicious three-course meals as part of their cooking assessments, which they then shared with friends. A huge congratulations to all involved for their hard work and creativity in the kitchen! The construction room has been a hive of activity, with students designing, planning, and painting creative and well-structured painting bays. Many of our students showcased their artistic talents by creating beautiful mosaics in Art. For those who made smaller designs for Mother's Day, we hope these unique and bespoke gifts were well received!

As we enter the Easter break, we would like to thank you all for your continued support. We look forward to welcoming students back for the summer term, ready for the final stretch before the Year 11 exams and another exciting term of learning and achievement.

Wishing you all a restful and enjoyable Easter holiday.

Jessica Robinson Head of School

# **Countdown to GCSE's**

Year 11 students are in the thick of their GCSE preparations. These students are working through past papers and seeking help from teachers to ensure they grasp every concept. The dedication and perseverance they are showing now, will not only help them achieve their immediate goals but also lay a strong foundation for their future academic and professional endeavours.

Keep pushing forward, Year 11s - your hard work will pay off!



Revision is an essential part of studying that helps you remember and understand what you've learned. It is like going over your notes and textbooks to make sure you really get the material.

Remember, revision isn't just about memorising facts; it's about understanding how everything fits together and making sure you know the subject well.

Along with work the teachers can provide, here are some websites to use at home:

#### **GCSE** bitesize

#### Mr Bruff - youtube

#### **Oak National Academy**

Exam stress can be more than feeling nervous on the day of an exam. It can also be how you feel building up to exams, during exams and when waiting for results. Below are some links for advice and support:

#### Study Support

Young Minds - Exam stress

#### Mind - Exam stress for 11-18 year olds





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# **Art Gallery**



The students are creating an impressive selection of artwork, from Brusho mixed media studies to fabulous acetate drawing on different backgrounds.









## **KS3 Adventure and Sports**





Friday mornings at Blueprint, see our KS3 students taking part in various outdoor activities that range from going for walks around the local area to den building in Wendover Woods.

Participating in outdoor activities offers students numerous benefits, both physically and mentally. Being in the outdoors allows the students to work on their teamwork, leadership skills, and social interactions, as well as boosting their mood and reducing stress!





### Dates for your diary:

End of Spring term: Friday 4 April 2025 Bank Holidays: Friday 18 April 2025 & Monday 21 April 2025 Start of Summer term: Tuesday 22 April 2025 Bank Holidays: Monday 5 May 2025 & Monday 26 May 2025 Half term: Tuesday 27 May 2025 - Friday 30 May 2025 Inset Day: Monday 2 June 2025 End of Summer Term: Friday 18 July 2025





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