

### June 2024

Dear Families.

I am delighted to be writing to you again at the beginning of this final half term. Whilst not quite at the end of the academic year, this does mark an important time as it is the end of formal lessons for all of our Year 13 students. In fact, many of our Year 13s have already completed a significant number of their external examinations. All of our students have represented themselves and the College in an exceptional way; we would expect nothing less from this wonderful group of young people. This point in the year marks both a time of change and of excitement as we see our Year 13 students making steps towards moving on while Year 12 take steps to fill their place.

The Year 13 students have marked the end of their lessons with a wonderful celebratory assembly. This assembly has been created, organised and led by our esteemed Student Leadership Team. This was a wonderful event that allowed students to share positive memories and experiences of their time at HC6F and for many at HCCS.

I hope the the half term break has allowed students to take a breathe, pace themselves and come back refreshed to go again. The beginning of June will, as always, continue to be a busy and productive time especially for the students who still have exams to complete.

Towards the end of June we will see the celebrations for Year 13 come into full fruition with the Year 13 Formal Dinner event. This year this will take place at Crewe Hall. This is always a wonderful occasion and one in which students can take the time to fully celebrate all of their efforts and hard work over the last two years or more.

As we move into the next half term, the focus will shift onto the Year 12s, who will be starting to consider their next steps after College. Following the recent successful Year 12 parents evening, students will start to seriously consider their opportunities and preferences Post 18.





### Student Leaders - Freya and Hamish

Currently, we are both in the midst of our exams. While this time is quite stressful and busy, we both look forward to our upcoming leavers' assembly and are excited for what the future holds for us both and all of our friends. Prom is also right around the corner and we are both working hard, behind the scenes, to make it as memorable as possible.

We have both thoroughly enjoyed our time as Student Leaders and have really valued the opportunities and experiences that thais has given to us. We wish the next group of student leaders, whoever they might, the very best in their roles.





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#### **Personal Development Curriculum**

#### Year 13

Over the last few weeks, students in Year 13 have continued to engage with the Personal Development Curriculum. As as part of this, this term they have been looking at topics pertinent to a 16-19 curriculum including relationships. Whilst this can be sensitive topic area, students have responded well to the content covered. In addition, the Personal Development sessions have allowed time for students to consider and reflect again on appropriate revision strategies and implement these in readiness for this exam season. We hope that students have valued this time that they have had, over the course of the last two years, with their tutor exploring continent that is relevant to them and that goes beyond the academic classroom. We will be doing a review of this programme over the next couple of weeks and will be keen to get feedback from the students about what types of things they would like to have covered in these sessions.





#### Year 12

Year 12 students, this half term, have continued to work well in their Personal Development Curriculum lessons. Students have focussed this half term on effective revision strategies, Relationships and they have also started to work on Future Pathways. This has been a useful introduction to Year 12 students beginning to explore what they might consider in their next steps.

As we continue over the course of the summer, Year 12 students will evry much be focussed on ensuring they have the opportunity to explore all the possible options available to them. They will start to make positive next steps. Students will be fully supported throughout this exciting process.





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### **Year 12 News and Information**

#### Year 12 Parents Evening - Thank you

I would like to say thank you to all of the parents who attended the Year 12 Parents Evening on Thursday the 16th of May. It was lovely to welcome you all back into college. It felt like a well timed opportunity to hold some positive and productive conversations with you following the recent progress exams. It allowed for an opportunity to celebrate the successes of out students and also to reflect on where gains can be made. We now time, over the next few weeks, to ensure that students continue to progress and to make that all students are continuing to make efforts towards positive progress in each subject area. I look forward to continuing this work with you to ensure that all of our young people being supported in the right way.







Year 12 students haven, as mentioned, started to explore Future Pathways, ina broad sense. Over the course of the next half term, we will be taking this one step further and exploring this in greater detail. The summer term provides a great opportunity for students to consider what they might want to do. Some students will be fully aware of what they hope to do and what they need to do to achieve this. Other students might not yet be aware of what it is they hope to do nd this process, for a few, can be overwhelming. We begin this process in a timely way to allow our students the time to explore and research so that they feel prepared for the next step.

#### Post 18 Information Evening - Thursday 6th of June - 5.30 pm - Sixth Form Study Area

As sport of this important process, of preparing our young people for their next steps, we very much want to involve you fully in this process. We would therefore like to invite you along to our Post 18 Parent Information Evening. This will be held in the Sixth Form study area. The evening will begin at 5.30 pm. The presentation will end around 6pm and we, the Sixth Form Team, will be available for guestions at the end. We hope that you will be able to join us for this event.

#### Alternative Learning Week - 8th - 12th of July

For Alternative Learning Week, lessons will be suspended and students in Year 12 will have an opportunity to further expand their research around Post 18 options. For this week we will using Wednesday to launch this. Students will have the option to attend an event at Liverpool University. This visit will include a tour and a talk by the University. Alternatively, students can take part in an Apprenticeship workshop where they will be able to get involved in a number of research and preparation activities. Following this, on the Thursday, students will be in College and working alongside their tutors to further action their research and plans. There will be acty of opportunity to discuss all possible options available. On Friday, there will be a trip to Alton Towers, for all students who would like to attend. This will be a good opportunity for students to relax and enjoy something fun at the end of a busy week.

There will be more information sent out about this in the next couple of weeks.



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### **Year 13 News and Information**

#### **Study Leave**

As was shared with you previously, Year 13 students are now able to fully utilise study leave. This means that there is no expectation for students to attend lessons. Formal lessons have now ceased. All Year 13 students are welcome to attend College for all or part of the day, to continue their studies, should they wish. We find that some students prefer the routine and discipline that working in College can provide. We understand however that for some students, working from home ensures their time is used more effectively. We fully support student preferences however it is always nice for us to see students and feel we can better support them when they are in College.





Don't forget, you must select your **Firm** and **Insurance** choice no later than Thursday 6th of June.

As a reminder, the Firm choice is where a student will be placed (if they meet the entry requirements). The Insurance choice is where the student will be placed if they do not meet the conditions of the Firm choice but meet the conditions of the Insurance choice. We must reiterate the importance of ensuring that the Insurance choice has lower requirements than the Firm choice.

#### **Results Day**

All Level 3 qualifications, including A Levels and VTQs, will be issued on Thursday 15th of August. Students are invited to come along and collect their results from 8.30 am on this day. Results can be collected from the Sixth Form area. There will be a range of support available on this day, to advise students where needed about next steps. Preempt are of course welcome to along and support on this date. This is an exciting and high pressured time for many, when emotions can run high.

Students might receive notifications of confirmation of a place from UCAS before this time. I would encourage you to log in and check when you can. Please be mindful that at very busy times this can be slow due to the volume of people also trying to access this information. UCAS will publish the release time prior to this date. Please keep an eye on UCAS updates.

#### **Year 13 Celebration Dinner Friday 21st June**

We look forward to this very special event. Students have worked hard to prepare the final arrangements for this. Students are asked to arrive at the venue for 6 for 6. 30 pm for photos ready for seating at 6.45 pm. Dinner will be served at 7 pm. This will no doubt be a very special occasion and we very much look forward to this special event.





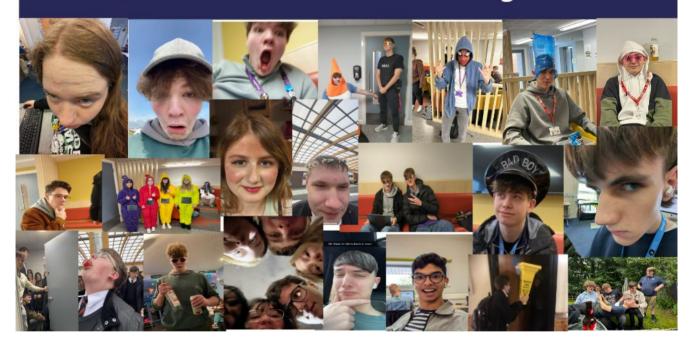
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### **Year 13 News and Information**

#### Year 13 Leavers' Assembly

On Friday 24th of May, during the afternoon, we held a wonderful leavers assembly. Student Leaders took time and care in organising this assembly. The assembly included a range of content including a quiz, awards, speeches, photos and even a special staff video. Sharing these special memories was a wonderful and allowed time to reflect and look back at their time at HC6F and for most at HCCS. The afternoon was, as you would expect, full of smiles and tears. The students and staff involved enjoyed themselves thoroughly. We wish all of our Year 13 leavers the very best for a productive and restful half term. We look forward to seeing them for their final exams in June, followed by a well deserved celebration dinner at Crewe Hall on the 21st of June.

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### **General Reminders**

#### Thank you for your continued support.

Thank you again for your continued support over the last term Please do get in touch if you have any questions or concerns relating to your child and the Sixth Form.

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#### **Key Dates for Summer Term**

Monday 3rd of June - Students return to College
Thursday 6th June - Post 18 Parents Information Evening
Wednesday 19th June - INSET Day
Friday 21st June - Final A Level Exam
Friday 21st June - Year 13 Celebration Dinner
Wednesday 10th July - Friday 12th July - Alternative Learning Week
Friday 19th July - Last day of term



Kindest regards,

Ms J Camm

**Director of Sixth Form**