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BRENTFORD 6th FORM

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Dear Year 13 Parents/Carers,

As this half term comes to an end, I am pleased to be able to reflect positively on the hard work our Year 13 students have put in during what has felt like a very short half term. It has also been a half term full of activity, including our whole school Careers and Higher Education Fair, our 'Learning with the Lords' visit, and very successful, in person, Year 7 and 6th Form parents' evenings. We were also very proud of the excellent delivery of 13 Warwick and 13 Cambridge's assembly on tolerance and respect, which is part of the series of our assemblies on the British Values.

The half term concludes with our wonderful school production of 'The Little Mermaid', which I am hoping that many of our parents attend, as the students have worked incredibly hard and Ms Marsh and the team would love to showcase the amazing effort that all of the cast and staff have put in to make this our best school show yet. If you wish to purchase tickets please do so via SCOPAY.

The school Bulletin for this half term has been issued this week, so please take the time to update yourselves with all of the schools' news and activities for the half term ahead.

It is expected that our students will strive for 100% attendance; this includes attending assembly, tutor time and scheduled study sessions. To support some students get back on track we have put in place a series of bespoke interventions. We continue to emphasise the importance of attendance for our 6th form students and put in place support where necessary as we recognise that future employers and higher education institutions will ask for attendance and punctuality records when requesting a pupil reference. As always, your support in this is greatly appreciated. Where students are absent parents/carers should call the school and leave a message on the school answer phone before 8.00am or send an email to our attendance officer, Ms Granger, on cgranger@brentford.hounslow.sch.uk

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There have been a number of disruptions to public transport so far this year and as a result traffic has been a challenge. In order for your daughter to be in school on time, can you please ensure that she is leaving home early enough each morning to arrive on time each day. Those parents that drive your daughters to school, please be reminded that you are not allowed to stop directly outside of the school, or in The Butts estate, which is opposite the school. We have had a number of complaints from local residents regarding parents dropping off in this area.

The new term begins on **Monday 19th February at 8.40am**; this is the start the two weeks PPEs for Year 13 and below are some key reminders:

- On the day of each PPEs, it is important that all students are on time for these examinations. All students should be lined up outside the specified exam room by 8:45am for morning examinations and 1:20pm for afternoon examinations.
- When a student does not have an exam, they will not be required to come into school and can revise at home. Students may access the 6th form study area throughout the period if they choose to.
- In some instances, if an exam is upcoming in a subject, the teacher may organise a revision-based lesson and the students will be notified of this in advance. Please note, where deemed appropriate, individual students may be directed to conduct their revision on site and timetables of this provision will be
- Year 13s are expected to attend all PPEs and study sessions in their business attire, as per the sixth form dress code policy.

Please can I take this opportunity to thank you for your support this half term and remind you that if you have any questions, please do direct them to your daughters form tutor in the first instance via email.

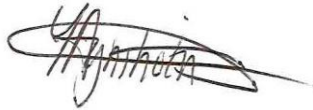
Looking to next half term, we know a number of our sixth formers will be observing the month of Ramadan and encourage everyone in our school community to be respectful of the unique traditions and practices associated with this month.

Please find below some important upcoming dates in the school calendar:

- 19th Feb 1st March- Year 13 PPEs in exam conditions in the Curie Gym.
- 23rd February 6th Form RSE Parent Consultation (afternoon)
- 29th February KS5 Drama Trip (Metamorphosis)
- 5th March 'So you want to be a..' talk
- 11th March- Whole school science week
- 12th March – Year 13 Film Studies trip to the BFI
- 21st March – Elevate workshop 'Finishing line' (p1-2)
- 28th March- Final day of term- school finishes at 12:30pm

I wish you all a restful and productive half term and wish Year 13 the best of luck in their upcoming PPEs.

Yours faithfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Gita Agnihotri', with a large, sweeping flourish underneath.

Ms Gita Agnihotri
Head of Sixth Form