



ECKINGTON SCHOOL

Achieving Excellence

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February 2020

Dear parents and carers

We have reached the halfway point of the school year with our February half term coming up next week. For our Year 11 and 13 students this means the start date for their GCSE and A Levels can now be counted in weeks and the need to keep focused and working hard is never more important. After half term Year 11 will continue to undertake further PPEs in all of their subjects.

Key Events for this term

You can find all dates on our school website; however below are some of the key events coming up next term. Please check our website and social media feeds for updates.

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| • School opens to students at 8.30am
(Monday 24 th February 2020 is a staff training day). | Tuesday 25 th February 2020 |
| • Year 11 PPEs continue | Tuesday 25 th February 2020 |
| • Flexible Learning Day | Monday 2 nd March 2020 |
| • Year 9 Parents' Consultation Evening 3.30pm | Thursday 5 th March 2020 |
| • Year 13 Reports Issued | Friday 6 th March 2020 |
| • Year 11 PPEs end | Friday 6 th March 2020 |
| • Year 10 English Literature PPE Paper 1 | Friday 6 th March 2020 |
| • Year 10 English Literature PPE Paper 2 | Monday 9 th March 2020 |
| • Year 10 PPEs begin | Monday 9 th March 2020 |
| • Non Uniform Day (Sport Relief) | Friday 20 th March 2020 |
| • Year 11 BTEC Drama Performance Evening 6.00pm | Tuesday 24 th March 2020 |
| • Year 11 BTEC Drama External Examination | Monday 30 th March 2020 |
| • School closes for Easter holiday at end of school 3.00pm | Friday 3 rd April 2020 |

Extra-Curricular Activities:

We strongly believe in encouraging our students to join in extra-curricular activities as part of their school experience. At Eckington School there are also many opportunities to take part in a wide range of activities during the school day as well as visits out of school. I am always very grateful to all our staff for their willingness to organise and lead such a large number of activities for our students throughout the year, often out of school hours. Just in the next few weeks we have students taking part in sports and House Competitions, work shadowing for year 8, a visit to the science museum in Leicester, geography and History trips, work in partnership with Sheffield Hallam University to encourage more of our young people to consider higher education opportunities and many, many more. Our lunchtime and after school activities and clubs for the spring term can be found on the school website for your information. Please encourage your child to participate.

Careers Week: 2nd – 6th March 2020

National Careers Week begins on 2nd March 2020. Mrs Moor is planning activities in school for this week. All form groups will have a careers quiz and daily activities in registration time and all of our ethics and guidance lessons will focus on National Careers Week. A closer focus will be on local labour market information and informing our students about the skills, experiences and qualities needed in our area.

Eckington School Social Media

I would like to take this opportunity to inform/remind you that Eckington School social media accounts provide regular updates, news and useful information.

These can be found at:

- @eckingtonschool on Twitter
- @EckingtonSchoolSixth on Facebook

In addition, we will send you regular updates on Weduc if you download the app. Please contact school for details.





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The coming half term will be particularly busy for students preparing for examinations and before we know it, it will be Easter. I would like to take this opportunity to thank all parents and carers for continuing to work closely with us throughout the school year and for supporting our policies, systems, standards and procedures. Your cooperation and support enables our school to run smoothly and allows staff to focus on the students to ensure every child receives the very best. Thank you.

Wishing you all a lovely half term break.

Kind regards

Alison Burgess
Principal

