## Tolworth Girls' School & Sixth Form



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Dear Parent/Carer

## Year 13 'Last Lap'

It has been a busy and productive few weeks at school as we enter the 'last lap' with Year 13. At this point in the year, your daughter/son may be feeling anxious and stressed as the reality of the final exams approaches - let me assure you that it is perfectly normal for students to feel this way after working for so long towards this final hurdle. As always, the Sixth Form Team, the Form Tutors and the Year 13 subject teachers are all here to support the students as best we can and ensure they feel confident and prepared going into their exams.

As the Year 13s prepare for their exams, we encourage them to practice good habits such as eating nutritious meals, exercising, ensuring they get enough sleep and limiting screen time where possible to avoid distractions. The Sixth Form Study Area is open to students each afternoon after school and we hope that they will make use of this space so that they can revise in a quiet, purposeful environment.

In PSHCE lessons and tutorials, we have been discussing life beyond sixth form, sharing information and tips on starting university, apprenticeships and work and discussing how to make good use of the summer in preparation for their next steps. The students have been provided with a guide to being prepared for results day (Thursday 15 August 2024) and myself, Mr Rhead and the Careers Team will be on hand at school on the day to provide advice if needed.

If you daughter/son has applied through UCAS, please make use of the link below to read up about the Clearing process in advance of results day:

https://www.ucas.com/undergraduate/clearing-and-results-day/what-clearing/clearing-guide-parents

## Key dates:

- Please note that the last official day of lessons for Year 13 students is Friday 17 May 2024, after which they will be on study leave. If your daughter/son has an exam before this date, they are entitled to have the day before and the day of the exam off to study at home. This will be automatically marked onto the registers by Mrs Morris, our Attendance Officer. Please be aware that some students may be asked to come into school during study leave for additional revision sessions with their teachers.
- Our final Leavers' Assembly will take place in school at 9.30am on Friday 28 June 2024
- The Year 13 Prom will take place on the evening of Friday 28 June 2024 at Leatherhead Golf Club. Tickets will be available via ParentPay shortly.

It is vital that students maintain good attendance right until their last day of lessons to get the benefit of their subject teachers' support and guidance before the exams. Please do continue to call in on the above number if your daughter/son is going to be absent from school due to illness or notify us via email at sixthformattendance@tolworthgirlsschool.co.uk.













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As always, do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or concerns regarding your daughter/son. We are rooting for each and every one of them now as they reach the last part of their sixth form journey!

Yours faithfully

Mrs L Viola

Head of Year 13













