



Blackfen School for Girls

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Dear Parent/Carer

I am writing to inform you of some important information regarding the next few weeks.

Exams

For students who sat AS exams, the results will be available on Thursday 17th August at 10am. Students can collect these results from the learning zone on this date or wait to receive them in the post. PPE (pre-public exam) results for reformed A levels will be given to students on Monday 10th July. BTEC students will receive their year 1 grades on Monday 10th July.

All students in year 12 will have a one to one meeting with either myself or Miss Johnson to discuss their results this year. This will take place on Tuesday 11th July (appointments will be given). All students are currently on two year courses, however if we are concerned about their progress/attainment from their PPE/AS/BTEC results we will discuss whether it is advisable to continue on the same programme of study or whether it would be suitable to re-start year 12 on different subjects.

The last day of term for year 12 students will be Thursday 13th July. School will finish at 1.20pm on this date unless a student has not completed all required work or still owes 'lates' times. In this case they will remain in school after 1.20pm and attend on Friday 14th July. The term starts for year 13 students on Wednesday 6th September at 10am.

UCAS

Any student who is planning to apply for university is required to attend a UCAS workshop on one of the following sessions:

Friday 16th June 1.20pm, Monday 19th June 1.20pm or 3.10pm, Tuesday 20th June 1.20pm.

Failure to attend a session will mean a student will not be able to register their application. It is vital that even if your son/daughter is even slightly considering going to university that they attend a workshop. Students should also attend the UCAS Higher Education Exhibition trip on Wednesday 21st June. This will be held at Greenwich University. Students need to collect a letter and return the permission slip for this event if they haven't done so already.

It is also important that students are attending university open days and taster courses over the next few weeks so that they can make an informed decision about what they want to study and where.

On Thursday 19th June year 12 students will visit Sussex University on the Brighton trip. - They have already had letter about this trip and should have returned permission slips.

EPQ

Students considering studying the 'Extended project qualification' need to attend a meeting on Monday 19th June at 10.30am where this course will be introduced. Students will have a number of deadlines to meet before the end of term in order to make a start on their project. They will be expected to carry out research and planning for this over the summer. This qualification has UCAS points and is valuable for students applying for University or job/apprenticeship.

Dress Code

Please can I remind you that the dress code remains in place all year and therefore students must ensure they adhere to it even during the summer term. This includes wearing a suit jacket (girls and boys). Girls must ensure skirts are of an appropriate length and that tops have sleeves. Flip flops/sandals are not acceptable. Boys do not have to wear a tie for the remaining weeks. Please support us in ensuring your son/daughter is following our dress code.

A reminder that school starts at 8.30am for ALL sixth form students. If they don't have a period 1 timetabled lesson they still attend at 8.30am and must swipe in and work in the 'learning zone' or study centre.

Any 'lates' times or missed study periods must be made up on a MONDAY after school.

Thank you for all your support so far this year. Please contact me if you have any concerns.

Yours sincerely

Miss K Brewer

Assistant Headteacher, Head of Sixth Form

