

8th March 2024

**Dear Parents and Carers** 

## Safeguarding notice

Someone has been approaching year 9 students in local schools on social media claiming to be a student moving into the area and asking for information. They have asked for phone numbers, for names of students from pictures and asked to meet up with other students. Please remind your child that they should not give out personal information over social media to people they don't know. Please let us know if your child has been approached in this way so we can pass that information to the police.

#### Year 9

This is an important time for Year 9 as they choose their options. Please remember to return completed option forms to school by Monday 11<sup>th</sup> March.

# Year 11

Details of the Easter revision classes available on April 8<sup>th</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> will be sent to you in the next couple of days. There will be two sessions each day from 10.00-12.00 and 12.30-2.30 and the timetable makes it clear what each session is targeted at. We strongly encourage students to attend and to select which subject in each session will be of most benefit to them. We are now just 2 months from the main exams starting. As I said last week, all Year 11 should be spending 2 hours an evening on personal revision now – results do not come without effort and there will be plenty of time to relax after the exams!

# Post 16 events

Blackpool & Fylde College are having taster session on the evening of March 20<sup>th</sup>. Please see the attached poster which provides QR codes through which you can book.

### Attendance

School attendance continues to be a real focus and I am pleased that we are seeing some signs of improvement if only small at this stage. You may have seen in the news that parental fines will rise to £80/parent from September where these are used.

Year 7	93.64% ↓	The level of attendance
Year 8	90.59% 个	particularly in GCSE Years 10
Year 9	91.76% 个	and 11 is a serious concern.
Year 10	88.70% ↓	Please ensure your sons and
Year 11	84.80% ↓	daughters are in school in these
		crucial exam years.













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### Rewards

Congratulations to our rewards highest scores in the weeks ending March 8th:

Commitment: Sophie Year 9
Aspiration: Sam year 7
Resilience: Hope Year 10
Respect: Bailey Year 8
Most 5's: Grace Year 7
Highest Points: Sophie Year 9

#### Vapes

The use of vapes by teenagers is emerging as a national concern and there legal and medical implications. If a student is suspected of vaping or carrying a vape they can be searched and any vape found will usually be destroyed. Please do check bags and uniform to ensure that vapes are not being brought into school.

### Finally,

Many congratulations to our Year 9 Engineers who entered the BAe Challenge Project. The Green Team have been invited to a special Celebration Event which will be held at BAE Systems on Friday 26th April and a BAe spokesperson said "I am delighted to tell you that the Green Team have been shortlisted to receive an award for a specific aspect of their river waste collector project". Well done to Megan, Amber and Teagan!

## **Upcoming dates:**

Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> March SHINE Coffee morning for Parents and Carers 9.30 a.m.

Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> March SEN Drop-In 2.30 p.m. - 6.00 p.m.

Pastoral Drop-In 3.30 p.m. – 6.00 p.m.

Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> and Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> March Performing Arts Show 7.00 p.m.

Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> March Additional Year 11 Parents' Evening and Careers Fair for Years

10 and 11, 4.00 p.m. – 6.00 p.m.

Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March School closes for Easter holidays at 3.15 p.m.

Monday 15<sup>th</sup> April School reopens for Summer Term Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> May Start of formal GCSE exam series

Yours faithfully

Mr A Waller

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