



KING JAMES'S SCHOOL

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Dear Parent/Carer

As we return from the Easter break I wanted to write to you to ask for your continued support as we approach the exam season. Both Year 12 and 13 have been working on revision planning in Academic Advisor time and have a clear understanding, through assemblies, of how short the lead in to examinations is. We know, as will you, how stressful the summer term can be. There is significant pastoral support available to help our students cope during this demanding time.

The basics are vital – please ensure that attendance is as close to 100% as possible and time off school is only taken where absolutely necessary. Although missed work can be copied up, missed teaching and learning can't and the focus on managing exam papers is now very sharp. We also provide supervised private study sessions which are a valuable resource not enjoyed in many sixth forms. These sessions are compulsory; please reinforce the importance of them to your son/daughter.

In addition, we want to concentrate all our efforts in supporting students not correcting uniform. The uniform is very clear and displayed in every form room. Academic Advisors will be checking this and will give students a chance to put it right. Should they not respond we will ask students to go home and correct their uniform. This is certainly not desirable but we do have a uniform and it needs to be worn appropriately. Please help us make this a 'non-issue' as we embark on the summer term.

As ever, please encourage your son/daughter to speak to their Academic Advisor. Learning Managers can also be consulted by making an appointment through Mrs Dobson on 01423 798704. Thank you in advance for working with us to ensure examination preparation is as thorough as possible and that all remain as calm and focused as can be managed.

Yours faithfully

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